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## US SENATE DISCUSSES N. ATLANTIC PACT

### But No Agreement Is Reached

#### MAY BE SUBORDINATED TO UN AUTHORITY



### Death Of Ex-President Zamora

Buenos Aires, Feb. 18.—Senor Alcalá Zamora, former President of Spain, died in Buenos Aires this morning. He was 71.

Known for his oratory and simple living, he became the first President of Spain after the fall of the Monarchy in 1931. Deposed by the Cortes shortly before the civil war in 1936, Senor Zamora went into exile, first in France and then in Argentina.

He first became a Cabinet Minister in 1917. Five years later he retired from public life till 1930, when he emerged as a prime mover in the events that led to the overthrow of King Alfonso.

He came from Andalusia—the "Garden of Spain." Dark-skinned, shabbily dressed and insignificant looking, he preferred his Madrid home to the former Royal Palace in Madrid, using the latter only for official duties.

As President he returned to the Treasury considerable sums from his salary of about £50,000 a year. After his elections he gave his first day's pay to a fund for poor children.

In 1941, after he had left Spain, a Franco court sentenced him to 15 years' exile and confiscation of all his fortune.—Reuter.

### EDITORIAL

### Preparedness Costs Money

THE fact that today, almost four years after the cessation of the hostilities in Europe, the British Government finds it necessary to introduce a military budget of a trifle less than £760 million is a significant indication that the only reward for the world after five years of mental and physical horror is an uneasy armistice with the gods of war. Once again is the old philosophy accepted: that to keep the peace, nations must remain prepared for war. And, unhappily, the trend of political events throughout the world go far towards justifying this frame of mind. In eastern Europe, the post-war years have proved only too conclusively that where nations are unable militarily to protect themselves, they become "absorbed," forfeiting completely their independence to a powerful neighbour. And it is realization of this threat that impels the Norwegian Services chiefs to protest cuts in that country's defence budget, for Norway is highly vulnerable to any State that decides to become an aggressor. The whole tragedy of big defence budgets today is their necessity—and that they are, vitally necessary, is perhaps, the gravest accusation that can be levelled at the United Nations. A United Nations organization, capable of realising its original conception, would have made an armaments race a ridiculous proposition. But apart from certain cultural and economic achievements, UN has failed, and as a deciding influence in maintaining the peace of the world, it has lost the confidence of the peoples. But increased military expenditures do more than sustain the nervous tension; they help to reduce standards of living, and divert funds from essential social services into unproductive channels. Hongkong

must expect to suffer in this respect. Emphasis in the forthcoming budget assuredly will be on defence expenditure. The new Hongkong Volunteer Defence Force must be financed. Finally it has to be capitalised, then maintained, which means recurrent annual expenditure. For this the money has to be found, without any guarantee that the investment will eventually prove worthwhile. And for every million dollars needed for the defence of Hongkong, a million will be lost for providing public services. We cannot afford both at the same time. Thus it can be anticipated that a number of worthy schemes for the promotion of public welfare will have to be shelved for the time being, inasmuch that we must adopt the attitude that the future of Hongkong is essentially linked with our preparedness to resist any moves to deprive us of our sovereignty. It must be anticipated that the tempo of the Colony's development—social, educational and cultural—will be seriously slowed down by the new demands for defence funds. Moreover, it is a matter for some doubt whether, even with severe pruning of general expenditure, the Colony's revenue at the present is sufficient to meet the increased demands for defence spending. The possibility of being asked to produce more revenue by means of further direct and indirect taxation cannot be ruled out. In short, the problem is: are we prepared to make sacrifices in living standards and deny ourselves expansion of social services for defence needs which, if the accepted philosophy is true, is our only real safeguard for the future? This will probably be the question posed when the next budget is presented.

It also states that the Security Council shall at all times be kept fully informed of the activities undertaken or contemplated under regional arrangements.

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She's Miss Australia



Miss Beryl James poses at the ocean's edge near Sydney, her home, after being chosen "Miss Australia of 1948." With the title goes a complete wardrobe of clothes and a six months luxury tour of the world. She is 24 and a photographic model. Nearly 200 other girls competed.

## PALESTINE ARMISTICE TALKS ON LAST LAP

### Control Of Beersheba Is The Main Bone Of Contention

London, Feb. 18.—The Egyptian-Israel armistice talks in Rhodes today entered what observers described as the "last lap" of discussion over Beersheba, chief town of the Negev.

The Egyptians have asked the Israelis to evacuate their troops from the town and substitute a civil administration, according to an authoritative source.

This source added that the Israelis would refuse as they did an earlier Egyptian demand that they should evacuate the town entirely.

Conference circles in Rhodes generally predicted the Egyptians would accept the Israeli viewpoint that they must retain full military control of Beersheba, a vital road junction.

The Israeli representatives were reported to have told the Egyptians that the town was too far behind the front lines to constitute a threat against Egypt. The expected return to Rhodes of the Israeli legal adviser, Dr Rosen, was held to indicate in informed quarters that the drafting of an armistice agreement might be well under way by the weekend, with a possible signing early next week. It is not now believed possible for this to take place at the weekend.

Well-informed sources in Damascus disclosed details of a Jewish-Libanese armistice draft agreement have been drawn up at several "frontier meetings."

#### JEWISH TERMS

The Jewish terms were said to include:

1. Withdrawal of the Arab Liberation Army (sponsored and financed by the Arab League) and Syrian Army regiments from Lebanese territory.

2. Liquidation of Lebanese rural properties in Galilee by sale to the Jewish National Fund.

3. Jewish civilian rights in the Lebanon to be preserved.

The Jews undertook to pay compensation for private property in Palestine belonging to Lebanese nationals.

A government spokesman said planes bombed and strafed Karen positions around Insein's railway station which dominates both the land and rail approaches to the town, 10 miles from Rangoon.

While government land forces approached the railway, naval guns pounded Karen-held points along the waterfront.

Unofficial reports said the Karen, who want to set up an independent Karen state, made an unsuccessful all-night bid to knock out government forces occupying a Buddhist monastery overlooking Insein.

The government communiqué said fighting has broken out in the major towns in the Yamethin district of Central Burma. In this area, the communiqué said, the rebels, who were not otherwise identified, were using armoured cars.

It said a six hour attack upon the rail town of Lewe had been repulsed.

The communiqué added that government reinforcements have been rushed to the defence of the towns of Ela and Pyinmana on the Rangoon-Mandalay railroad.—Associated Press.

### One Killed, Two Injured In Berlin Shooting

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Gunfire crackled on Berlin's dividing line today as trigger-happy German police in the Soviet sector wounded two persons a few hours after shooting and killing a drunken motorist.

All the victims were Germans.

The Russian controlled police force also engaged in sporadic fire fights with passengers on subway and elevated trains.

The American licensed newspaper *Tagespiegel* denounced the shooting of the automobile driver as "murder."

All the incidents grew out of the blockade within a blockade which the Russians now are imposing on the Western sector of the city.

The Soviet move is being bolstered by roadblocks built of paving stones and iron stanchions.

IGNORED COMMAND

Yesterday's shooting occurred when a vegetable dealer ignored a command to halt as he drove his truck toward the American sector.

Soviet controlled police fired four shots at the truck. The bullet missed the driver, but struck two bystanders—a German man and a 14-year-old girl. The girl suffered a leg wound and the man was hit in one hand. The truck escaped into the American sector.

Charles C. Bond, American Public Safety Official, said the slaying of the motorist on Thursday night comes close to being murder." He added:

"It was at least irresponsible police work. The motorist unquestionably was drunk, but the shooting was unwarranted. It was a direct result of the Russian blockade for, without the blockade, we should have the free intercourse between all occupation sectors as provided by four power agreements."

The motorist was shot twice in the back and his car was wrecked when he sought to escape from the Soviet controlled police by speeding into the American sector.

RUSSIAN STORY

According to the Soviet licensed news agency ADN, the driver was shot because he tried to seize a policeman's gun. Western sector police said there was no evidence of this.

The Russians have tightened controls along their sector boundary to halt what they describe as smuggling or contraband supplies into American, British and French sectors of Berlin.

Meanwhile, the American-British airlift supplying blockaded Western Berlin passed a landmark. The million-ton supplies carried since the lift started last June arrived at Gatow airport.—Associated Press.

### ANOTHER WAR CRIMINALS LIST

Nanking, Feb. 19.—The Chinese Communist Party is preparing an additional list of war criminals in China, according to the North Shensi Radio last night.

When it has been completed, the Communist Party will be ready to appoint delegates to the peace talks, the Communist announcer said.

The announcer was answering "Kuomintang Ministry of Information's secret instructions" which he quoted as seeking to blame the Communists for continuing the war.—Reuter-AAP.

Passengers said yesterday clashes

on the city's transit lines occurred when Russian controlled police sought to search them and seize their belongings. Some said the police not only were taking their food and fuel packs, but also were going through their pocket books to confiscate Western money.

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YOUR RADIO LISTENING FOR NEXT WEEK IN DETAIL—A "TELEGRAPH" FEATURE

# R.A.F. Band Featured Over Radio Hongkong Next Week

The Royal Air Force takes to the air over Radio Hongkong next week.

At 9 o'clock on Monday evening the No. 1 Regional Band, conducted by W/O H. E. Wheeler, will broadcast from the China Fleet Club.

On Tuesday, at 10.15, *The Regionaires' dance orchestra* will be heard, again from the China Fleet Club, and on Friday at 9.35 the orchestra's conductor, Mr Wheeler, will give a piano recital of music by Chopin and Beethoven.

The week's programmes in detail are:



12.30 PROGRAMME SUMMARY.

Peter Yorks and His Concert Orchestra with Paula Green and Steve Conway.

1.15 NEWS, WEATHER REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1.25 REGIONAL ORCHESTRAL PROGRAMME.

2.00 Close Down.

6.00 Programme Summary.

6.01 "UNIT REQUESTS".

6.15 CATHOLIC CALLING HHS MUSICA SACRA.

7.00 WORLD NEWS AND NEWS ANALYSIS (LONDON RELAY).

7.15 CARROLL, GIBBON (PIANO).

7.30 MUSIC STUDY MELODIES.

Geraldo and His Orchestra.

Tip Top Tunes: Pack up your troubles; The Kerry Dance; Larney Lass; Lill Bolero; Honey Bee; The Stars Tell on Alabama; You do; Liza; Heat wave.

8.00 "FROM THE EDITORIALS" (LONDON RELAY).

8.10 "HATURDAY ROUND-UP".

An interview with Mr Ray Dunlop.

Who Will Speak of Ten Years

Broadcasting Experience in North

China and America.

8.25 STUDIO RESULTS.

8.30 VERDI: "AIDA" ACTS 3 AND 4.

Aida (Soprano); Mimi (Cantata); Amneris (Mezzo-Soprano); The Stagioni; Radames (Tenor); Benjamino (Gigli); Amaro (Baritone); Gino Bechi; Ramon (Bass); Tancredi Pasquini; Carlo (Tenor); Oscar (Baritone); Serafino (Tenor); Maria Horst; With Members of the Chorus and the Orchestra of the Opera House conducted by Tullio Serafin.

9.35 "DOWN IT LOOKS TO A VICTORY".

Some Personal Reflections by Professor Gilbert Murray, O.M.

9.30 VIOLIN INTERLUDE BY ALBERT SANDLER.

The Violin Song from "Tina" (Hubert); (Finnerty); (Henry).

10.00 RADIO NEWSHEWELL (LONDON RELAY).

10.15 WEATHER REPORT.

10.15 CAHAIRES' DANCE MUSIC.

Indians—Quicksilver (Hawley); Earl Hines and His Orchestra; Waiting in Sweetheart Valley—Fox Trot—Joe & His Orch. Vocal; Harry Koffler; It's the old dream (Sibley); Arctic Show and the Northern Lights—Walking through (Penn); Peggy Held; Estrellita—Mia—Boles; Son (Della);—Orchestra; Sleigh; Every time—Fox Trot (Jenkins);—Geraldine and His Orchestra;—Candy Cane; Delver; Walk (Nichols);—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Love flies out of the window (Livingstone)—The Merry Macs; Vocal; Summerlme—Slow Fox Trot (Gershwin); Geraldine—Horn; Vocal; Sally Dunn—Strange Music—Fox Trot (from Gator Swing Market); Earle Hines and His Orchestra;—Tulip Trees (from "Variety Girl"); Loemer—Kate Swift; Vocal; Caribbean Love Song—Bolero—Ted Frangopulos and His Band; Vocal Willie Mullings; These

things you left me (Lippman)—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Foxtrot Vocal; Helen Forrest; Mi Refugio—Tango (Cordoba);—Carlos Di Barto and His Orch; Let me sing—Slow and Impassioned—Vocal;—Body wood-pecker (Frost);—Geraldine and His Orchestra; Vocal; Doreen Lundt and George Evans; She's got two of everything (Towers);—Glorious—Slow and Impassioned—Vocal;—Gloriosa—Conga (Guerrero)—Oscar de la Rosa and His Orchestra; Vocal; Luis Rijo; Memories live longer than dreams—Waltz—Charles;—Lass and His Orch; Vocal; Cyril Granham.

10.00 RADIOTONE NEWSHEWELL (LONDON RELAY).

10.15 WEATHER REPORT.

10.15 "SYMPHONY CONCERT".

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# Still, they save a lot of washing!

by BERNARD WICKSTEED

**FORKS**, those things which were made after fingers, are having a birthday today. It is just 340 years since the first one was introduced at a table in England. Previously people ate by hand.

The man who did it and so mechanised eating in Britain was a traveller named Tom Corygate, who came across forks in Italy and brought one of them back in his pocket.

He'd been a court jester once, and thought it would be a good joke if he startled the English public by eating in this Latin way.

It got a good laugh, but didn't catch on for a while. Ben Jonson, the dramatist, wrote a play called "The Devil is an Ass," in which a wicked company promoter had a crazy scheme for making money by manufacturing forks for people to eat with. Can you imagine such a thing?

## AN INSULT

NATURALLY the old churchmen couldn't keep out of the controversy either, and one of them preached a sermon saying it was an insult to the Almighty not to touch your meat with your fingers.

(Fingers-before-forks) quotation which everyone uses now when he wants to pick up a chicken bone wasn't made till 1738 by Jonathan Swift. If you want to get it right his exact words were: "They say fingers were made before forks and hands before knives".

However, it gradually began to dawn on people that there was something to be said for forks after all. For one thing, they saved you from having to wash your hands after meals as well as before them—an amenity for which small boys in particular should be eternally grateful.

Etiquette was very strict in the hand-to-mouth era of eating. It had to be, because everyone ate from the same dish.

You were supposed to pick up your meat delicately with three fingers instead of cramming it in your mouth with both hands, and there was a firm rule in the best circles that you didn't stroke your dog between course—even at a Lord Mayor's banquet.

## NOT SO FUSSY

THE reason forks became popular in Italy before England was that the people there weren't so fussy about washing. Old Tom Corygate explained this in a book he wrote, "The Italian," he said, "cannot endure by any means to have his dish touched by fingers, seeing that all men's fingers are not alike clean."

One of the worst places for a pernickety traveller to visit was pre-war Germany. When you stayed at an inn for a night you had to queue up for your turn at the common dish. If you didn't fancy the look of the people who dipped in

before you there was nothing to do but go hungry.

In England it wasn't so bad. Innkeeper put on first, second, and third-class dishes, like railway carriages. It cost more to eat from the first-class bowl, but the customers were generally cleaner. The distinction between the saloon and public bar may be a survival of this archaic custom.

## SOUVENIRS

ALTHOUGH everyone laughed at Corygate eating with a ridiculous thing like a fork, he was only doing in public what Queen Elizabeth had done in private already. In an inventory of her things there is the note that she had "xii forks of silver and gilt, three of them

of the name of hotel on the handle."

Oddly enough, fruit forks are much older than table forks. The Anglo-Saxons used them for eating pears. Apart from these, the oldest English fork known to be in existence is one at the Victoria and Albert Museum. It is in a case on the first floor, surrounded by

spoons.

The date is 1632, and on it are the arms of John Manners, Duke of Rutland, and his wife.

It was bought for the museum by public subscription, and the man who sold it used the money to start a scheme for settling retired members of the professional class in the Dominions."

About 25 years ago a spoon made by the same silversmith in the same year and with the same arms on it was found under the nursery floor at Haddon Hall, Derbyshire, just taken over by the Coal Board.

## MADE BY KRUPP

THE Victoria and Albert fork has only two prongs and is quite strait, but by the end of the century, as you can see in another case at the museum, there is a four-prong curved model that is almost the same as we eat with today.

The first mass-produced forks were made in Germany out of iron in 1847. It doesn't sound very aristocratic, but the man who manufactured them went on from forks to cannon. His name was Alfred Krupp.

And how do you think forks got their name? From an ancient Roman torture of all things. It was called the *fura*, and the apparatus consisted of two lengths of wood fastened together like a V. This was placed over the shoulders of a criminal, and his hands were fastened to the ends. Condemned slaves had to carry the thing about with them, and people were led to it when they were flogged.

From such beginnings has the fork risen to respectability. Happy birthday, old friend, and may your prongs never be idle.

## NEWS OF A LAND TRANSFORMED BY OIL

### Dollars flow, they live in tents but rum cars, and there is no pilfering

BACK in London after a four months' trade tour of the Middle East, is a man who claims to have found the easiest country in the world in which to earn dollars, or Swiss francs, or any scarce currency you like to name.

He is 42-year-old Mr Wilfred Sloane, a Turkish and Arabic-speaking member of the staff of the Government-backed British Export Trade Research Organisation.

And the land flowing with dollars and francs is the Sheikdom of Kuwait, 2,000 square miles of parched, oil-bearing country in the north-western corner of the Persian Gulf.

"Scratch the desert in Kuwait," Mr Sloane said yesterday, "and though you may burn your finger you will most likely strike oil. The country positively smells of it."

"Today water is a more expensive commodity than oil."

Royalties on oil production, now running at the rate of nearly 10 million tons a year, are making the 63-year-old Sheik of Kuwait, Sh. Ahmad al-Jabir-al-Subah, into one of the richest men in the world.

And oil is turning his 100,000 nomadic people, living in tents, into a nation of town dwellers.

"Constructional projects are going ahead at a tremendous rate," said Mr Sloane, "and the biggest builder of oil is a relative of the sheik."

"Kuwait is crying out for British cement and structural steel. The women want sewing machines, the men are eager buyers of radio sets and bicycles."

"Many families are now able to afford a motor car."

"Perhaps never before in history have the habits of a people been changed so suddenly."

The Kuwait oilfield, which came into commercial production little more than two years ago, is owned jointly by Britain's Anglo-Iranian Oil Company and America's Gulf Oil Corporation.

Its gushers have brought so much foreign currency into Kuwait that many of the bazaars will pay for goods in American dollars or Swiss francs, or whatever currency the oil sellers demand.

Says Mr Sloane: "Kuwait will prove a most valuable market for enterprising British firms. They will find it one of the most honest countries in the world."

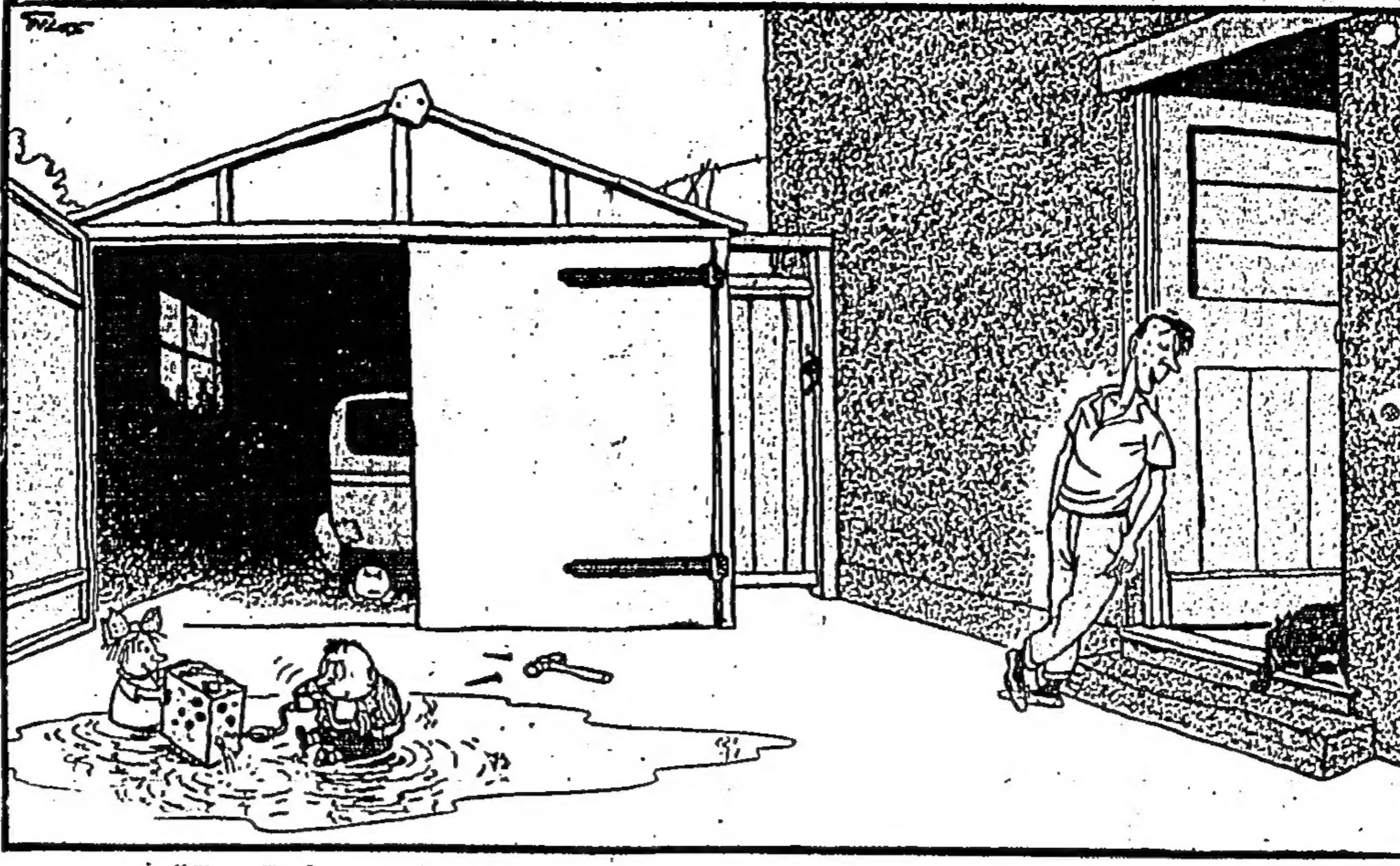
"There is no pilfering. You could leave a bar of gold in a Kuwait street, and it would not be stolen."

"For the Kuwaiti law is that a thief has his right hand cut off. If he repeats the offence his left hand goes."

"In many bazaars today withered hands are displayed to warn off would-be evil-doers."

When Mr Sloane returns to Kuwait in the spring he hopes to find evidence that British firms are beginning to lap its wealth.

—BERNARD HARRIS



"Hey, Dad—remember those last two gallons of petrol you hid in the garage . . ."

## What Stalin intends to do

### The state of the Soviet Air Force today

by Lieut.-Colonel GRIGORI A. TOKAEV

a highly placed Soviet officer who fled to the West to fight for Freedom.

WHEN Stalin and Molotov visited Germany in 1945 they were staggered at the destruction that had been wrought in German cities by the Western air forces.

They saw the ruins of Berlin,

Potsdam and other cities.

These ruins alarmed both the Politburo and the Soviet General Staff, for they showed how far the might of the Soviet Air Force had fallen behind in comparison with the Anglo-Americans.

Immediately upon their return to Moscow steps were taken to remedy the situation, with special stress on long range air force, rocket development and, of course, the atom bomb.

The first reaction was the setting up of a Politburo Commission under Bulganin, now a marshal, which had unlimited powers and took drastic steps to rebuild the S.A.F. on new lines, and which started one of the worst purges in the history of the S.A.F. and the Soviet aircraft industry.

As far as the theory of aeronautics is concerned, it is on the same level as the Anglo-Americans.

As far as aero engines are concerned, it is at least a decade behind.

As far as aircraft construction (designing, technology, and production) is concerned it is certainly lagging behind, especially in technology and production of metal aircraft.

As far as electrical, radio, and other equipment is concerned, it is probably on the same level as

In aircraft armament (guns), the Soviet Air Force is just as well equipped as the Allied air forces.

As far as engineering and technical backing is concerned, it is possibly equal to the Anglo-Americans, and its commanding personnel is up to present-day requirements.

This distrust breeds systematic purges.

From 1937 to date, the Soviet rulers have in succession purged the following Commanders-in-Chief of the Air Force: Alksnis (1937); Loektionov (1938); Rychagov (1940); Smuskevich (1941); Novikov (1946).

In every case, not only the commander-in-chief himself suffered, but also practically all his deputies and assistants.

In 1946 alone, Stalin's purge affected the following among the Higher Commanding personnel besides the C-in-C: Marshal Khudyakov, Marshal Astakhov, Marshal Zhavronkov, Marshal Falaleev, General Seleznev, General Replin, General Losyukov, General Shimanov, and many others.

On the other hand, it does not possess a single fighter aircraft of the ordinary aircrew design which could be compared with the newest types of Anglo-American fighters or even such old types as the American *Alecrobar* or the British *Spitfire*.

As for jet fighters, they are still in the experimental stage, and at the moment the S.A.F. does not possess a single one whose performance could be compared with such comparatively old models as the Gloster Meteor or the *Shooting Star*.

The fighter force is numerically strong and is reckoned with.

The tactical air force is up to requirements.

The heavy strategic bomber air force is weak and just beginning to take shape.

Fortunately the S.A.F. is being helped out of this difficulty.

For instance, Great Britain sold the famous Rolls-Royce *Nene* jet engine.

The bomber force is also undergoing a serious crisis.

No one is allowed to do any work outside what is set by "the plan."

If a person is given the task to produce a scientific work within the period set by the plan, but for some reason is unable to do so, he or she automatically becomes suspect and is "investigated."

"In many bazaars today withered hands are displayed to warn off would-be evil-doers."

When Mr Sloane returns to Kuwait in the spring he hopes to find evidence that British firms are beginning to lap its wealth.

Does all this mean that the Soviet Air Force is a negligible quantity? By no means.

### Fighters in plenty, but out of date: Weak in heavy bombers



The fighting factors are:

Shortage of qualified personnel.

Technological difficulties in aero engine production and construction of metal aircraft.

The principal effort at the moment is

directed on mastering production of jet engines with a powerful thrust.

My personal opinion is that the Soviet industry will not be able to complete this task much before 1950.

Regarding experimental establish-

ments for aero-engine construction the situation is even worse. On the other hand, the experimental flying establishments are on a high level and can be compared with the former German Institute at Rechlin, which, by the way, has been entirely dismantled and reassembled in the U.S.S.R.

The training of scientific and en-

gineering personnel is on a high

The civil air fleet is equipped to a great extent with obsolete American C-47 aircraft and corresponding aero engines.

The Toady

The Polar or Arctic aviation is a completely independent force which has nothing in common either with the S.A.F. or the A.D.D.

It is under direct control of the Chief Arctic Administration attached to the Council of Ministers, U.S.S.R., headed by Admiral Papulin.

The former head, Professor Otto Schmidt, the Arctic explorer and scientist with a world reputation, in

some way displeased Stalin, and dis-

appeared without trace.

Papulin is still in power, probably

because he is afraid even to have a drink of water without shooting "Long Live Stalin."

These paradoxes do not make the situation in China any more com-

fortable. It cannot be denied that

democracy—as represented by Western influences—has suffered a great defeat in China. It remains to be seen whether President Truman's proposal for practical educational aid and know-how can win where other methods have failed.

Against such setbacks in the Far

East must be reckoned the con-

ference of Asiatic and two Afri-

can—countries at New Delhi. The

moderation with which these na-

tions, which have emerged from

colonialism, demanded further pro-

gress in that direction is proof that

they are strong and reasonable

anti-Communist forces in Asia. And the bitterness with which Moscow has attacked the New Delhi meet-

ing is encouraging.

The New Delhi atmosphere was

happily free from racism and

imperialism. It was a meeting of

free peoples. And thus it suggests

the strongest barrier that can be

erected against Communism in Asia

the strength of free and indepen-

dent peoples. That this conference

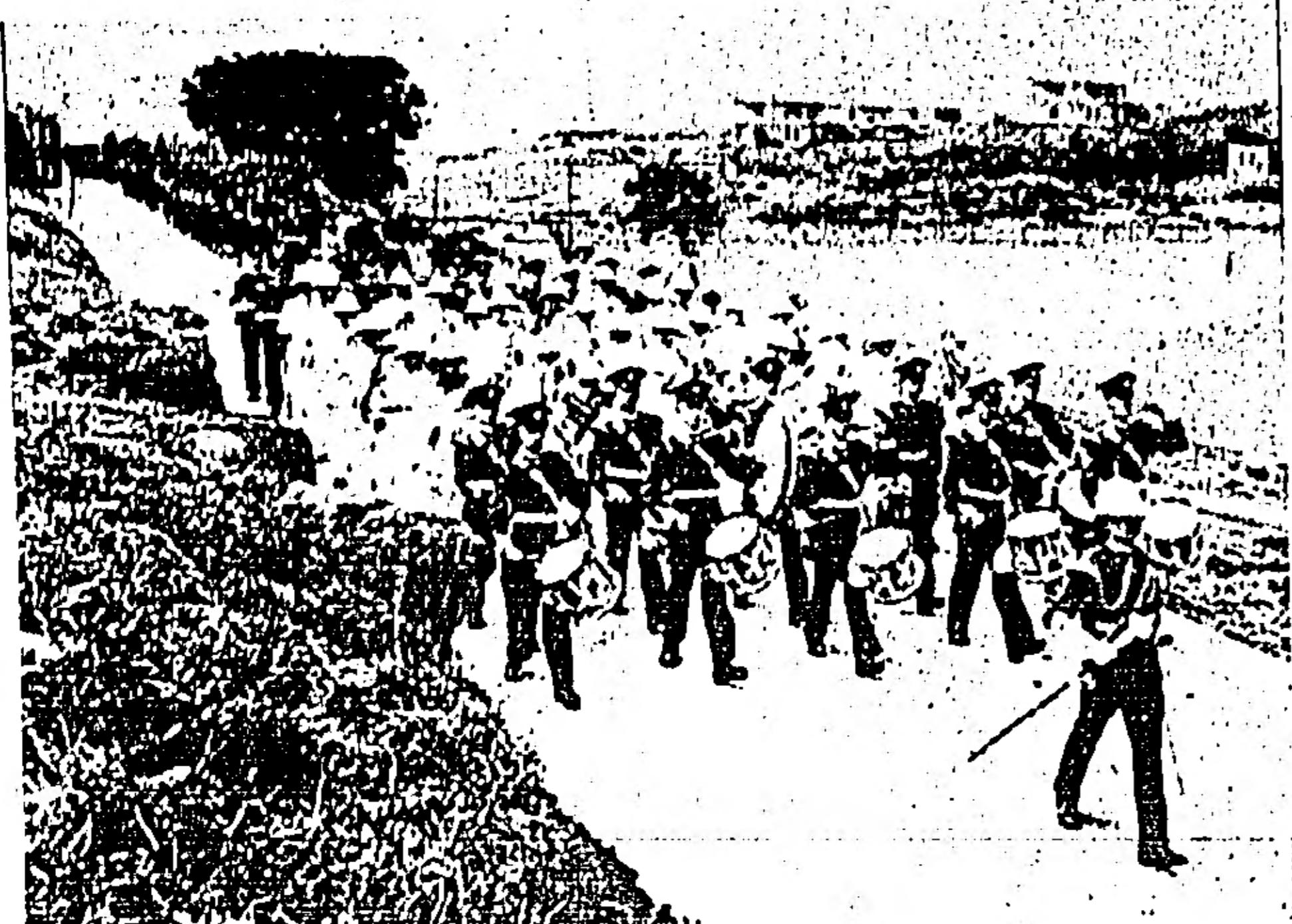
should have coincided with Presi-

dent Truman's proposals for a self-

help and know-how programme

which would raise the standard of

living of the East was a very



ON the occasion of the merging into one of the two Battalions of the East Kent Regiment ('The Buffs'), the Colours of the 1st Battalion, which had been in the safekeeping of the Regimental Depot at Canterbury and which were recently escorted out to Hongkong in HMT Dilwara, were trooped before a large and distinguished gathering at Stanley Fort last week. The three pictures here show the ceremony in progress. The COC, Major-General F. R. G. Matthews, is seen below taking the salute during the March Past. (Telegraph Staff Photographer).



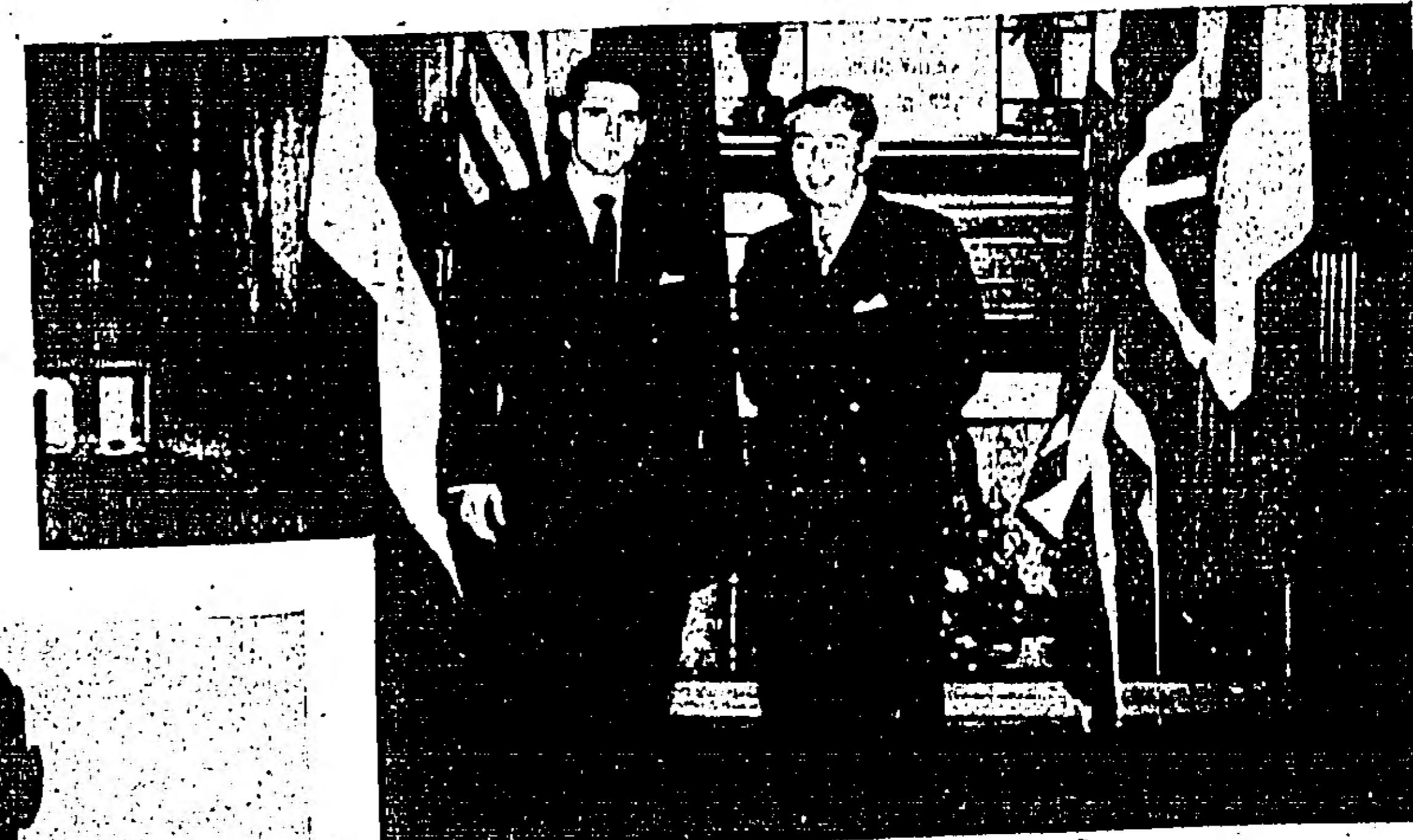
THE Hon. J. B. Griffin, Attorney General, addressing the Wah Yan Past Students' Association at the Catholic Club last Saturday on "The Rule of Law." (Telegraph Staff Photographer).



RIGHT: Mr Peter Fleming, the well-known-author, snapped at Kai Tak on Tuesday on his arrival en route to China as special correspondent for The Times, London. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



ON Monday, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, toured the New Territories. This group picture was taken outside the Hoang Yi Kuk in Tai Po Market. (Francis Wu).



MR Jennings Wong (right), chief of the Far East Mission of the United Nations International Refugee Organization, photographed with Mr W. N. Collison, director of the IRO's Hongkong office, at a cocktail party in the Hongkong Hotel last week. (Francis Wu)



PICTURE taken at St John's Cathedral after the christening of Graham John, infant son of Inspector and Mrs D. Clark. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



RIGHT: Picture taken on the occasion of the christening at St Teresa's Church last Sunday of Miriam and Veronica, twin daughters of Mr and Mrs Joseph, P. C. Wong. (Mainland Studio)



A CORNER of the British Council Library in Statue Square, which is now stocked with a wide selection of books and periodicals. The library is open to the public. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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# PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

## MORE LIGHT ON THE SUBJECT

By MARION CLYDE MCCARROLL

WHEVER you're reading in the living room or a cake you're baking in the kitchen; whether you're putting on lipstick at your dressing table in the privacy of your own bedroom or sipping your morning coffee in the dining alcove—whatever you or the rest of the family are up to around the house, the more light you can get on the subject the better.

Not only that, but the modern idea is to go beyond the utilitarian in home lighting and make the illumination serve a decorative purpose as well.

Note, for example, the attractive dining corner in the picture at the right. Gone is the outdated overhead chandelier; gone, too, the lights in side wall brackets. Instead, built-in cabinets equipped with fluorescent fixtures, on either side of the window provide not only soft light to eat by but make an entrancing display of the china on the shelves. In this instance, four fluorescent lamps were used, one being placed vertically behind the framework on either side of both cabinets.

Note, again, the charming work above in the centre picture, used here as a garden room for arranging flowers and storing vases, bowls, etc. Shelves on either side of the storage cabinet are lighted by fluorescent lamps set vertically along each shelf section. Lighted niches in each side wall are illuminated by incandescent bulbs shielded by glass panels, and for general illumination on



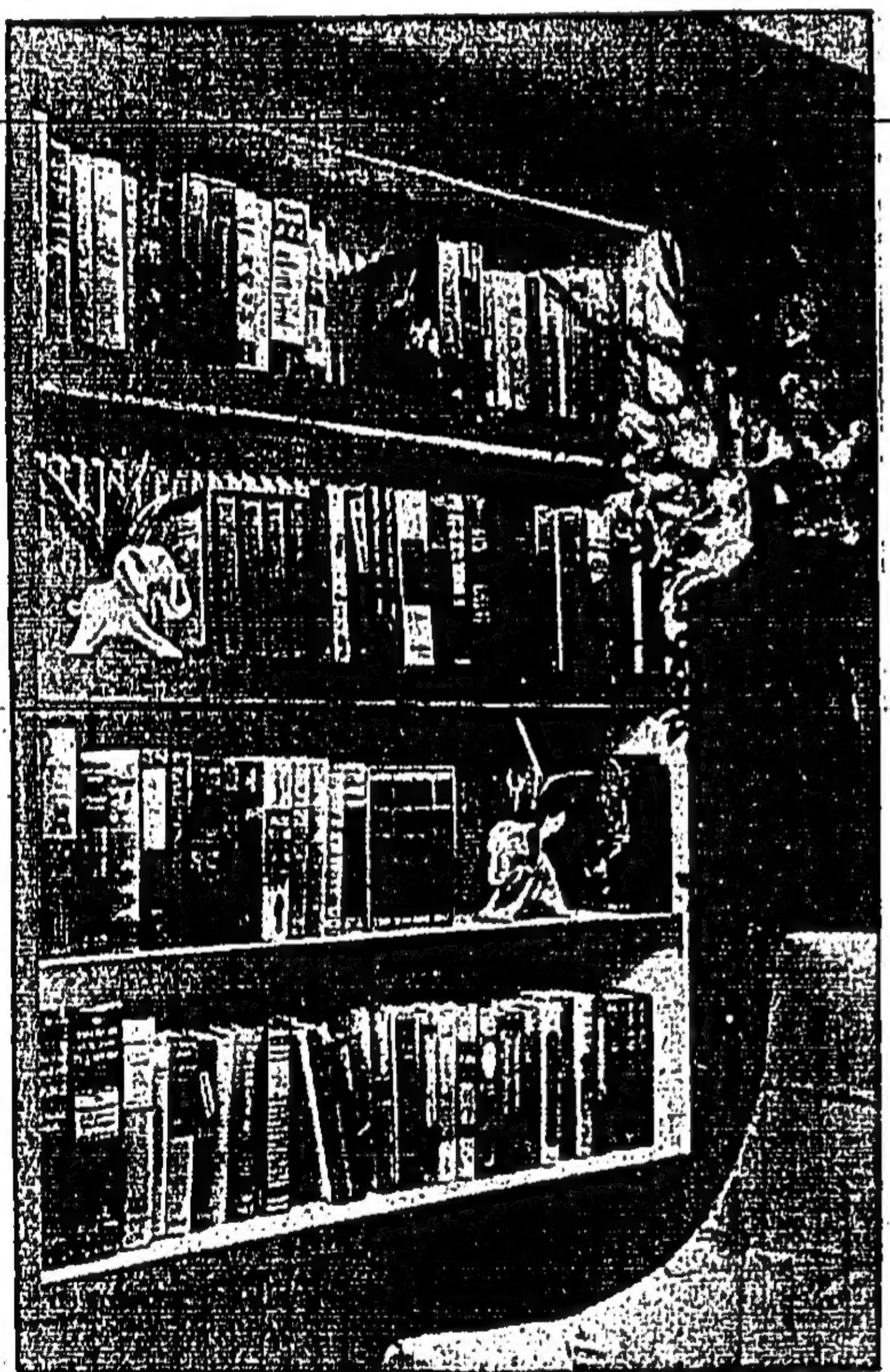
LIGHTED CABINETS FLANKING THIS DINING ROOM window not only provide soft illumination to eat by but make a decorative display of the china on the shelves. There's also a single fluorescent lamp across window top.

the work surface below a fluorescent tube is attached to the ceiling.

To make a decorative display, as well as to offer light for quick locating of book titles, and for reading, three miniature fluorescent lamps are placed end to end beneath each bookshelf in the third picture. To increase the decorative aspect here, frosted ribbed glass was installed behind the shelves, as an effective background for books and knick knacks.



FLUORESCENT LAMPS ARE USED HERE, too, to light the shelves in this garden room, with another tube attached to the ceiling for general illumination.



STILL ANOTHER WAY TO ACHIEVE both utilitarian illumination and decorative effect is to install fluorescent lamps beneath bookshelves as above.

## CAUSES OF DIZZINESS

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

AT one time or another nearly everybody suffers from dizziness or vertigo. Usually it is a passing thing, but, if it persists, an examination is in order so that the cause may be determined.

Some people find they are bothered in this way only when the head is held in certain positions, whereas others become dizzy only when the head is moved from one position to another. The latter type of dizziness is usually accompanied by a disturbance of the eyes, known as nystagmus, in which the eyes roll slowly to one side, and then move rapidly in the opposite direction.

This symptom is very important in helping the doctor to determine the cause of the dizziness. In carrying out an examination of a patient with nystagmus, the doctor will first test the hearing. Then the patient is studied to see whether nystagmus is present lying on the back. Then pressure is put on the neck over what are known as the carotid sinuses, which are a collection of nerves. Pressure on these sinuses may produce dizziness and fainting. The patient then turns to the right side, and then to the left side, and then the head is hung backwards; finally he sits up, steps forward, and shakes his head.

In cases of dizziness, a thorough study is always necessary to determine the cause before proper treatment may be carried out.

position, the nystagmus does occur, and there is dizziness or ringing in the ears, it indicates that there is some disease of the inner ear.

One of the conditions which may be responsible is known as Meniere's disease, in which there is ringing in the ears, deafness, and attacks of dizziness.

In some cases, the disturbance may be due to an inflammation of the middle ear. In other cases, the trouble may have been caused by undetected haemorrhage into the inner ear.

Disorders within the skull more often cause dizziness with changes in the head position than general dizziness.

Dizziness without evidence of either damage to the nerves or the brain commonly indicates some circulatory disturbance or infection affecting the nerve cells. The usual cause is disturbances of the circulation related to low blood pressure, or disturbances produced by the change of life.

For example, the underlying causes may be an infection of the stomach, bowel or breathing organs, poisoning from a drug, such as alcohol or streptomycin, or hardening of the arteries in the brain with high blood pressure.

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## Serve Pears with Cream Cheese for a Good Dessert

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

"WHAT a beautiful platter of pears!" "They are the Anjou pears, Madame, my favourites," said the Chef. "They have a rich flavour and a fine texture and are full of juice. Originally they came from France. And I have been eating them since I was a boy. The best way to buy Anjous is when they are still hard, and let them ripen at room temperature, from 60 to 70 degrees. These have been on the platter for about two days." He picked up a pear, and pressed it slightly. "See, Madame, it responds to the pressure. They will be ready to eat tonight for dinner."

"I notice you didn't heap up the pears in a bowl to ripen but spread them on the platter so the air could circulate around them."

"I think these Anjous will be very fine for dessert tonight with cream cheese. It is a combination of flavours that is perfect."

**Dinner**

Italian Tomato Soup      Toast  
Ham and Potato Croquettes  
Egg-Parsley Cream Sauce  
Brussels Sprouts  
Lettuce Bowl Salad

Fresh Pears with Cream Cheese  
Coffee or Tea      Milk (Children)  
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Serves Four

**Italian Tomato Soup**

Turn the contents of 1 (No. 2½) tin tomatoes into a sauce pan. Add 1 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. sugar, ¼ tsp. dry mustard and ¼ tsp. pepper. Bring to boiling point. Meanwhile coarsely grate enough sharp American cheese to make ¾ c. Add to the tomatoes and simmer until it melts. Heat 1½ c. whole milk. Stir in 1 tbsp. flour mixed with 1 tbsp. milk. When boiling, pour into 2 beaten eggs. Then place over a low heat and gradually add the tomato; stir fast! It should get very hot, but do not allow it to boil.

**Ham and Potato Croquettes**

Boil or pressure-cook 4 medium-sized white potatoes. Peel and put through a potato ricer. Add 1 tbsp.

butter or margarine, ½ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper, ¼ tsp. celery salt, few grains cayenne, 1 tsp. scraped onion, 1 egg yolk, 1 tbsp. minced parsley and 1 c. minced, canned "chopped ham. Mix thoroughly. Cool and shape into balls containing 1 generous tablespoon each. Roll in flour. Next beat an egg with ¼ c. water until well mixed. Roll the croquettes quickly in this, then in fine dry bread crumbs. In a heavy deep kettle put enough vegetable or meat fat to make a depth of about 2". Heat until the fat will brown a piece of bread in 40 seconds, 375 F. Place the croquettes in a frying basket, or use a large strainer and lower them into the fat. It will bubble up, so be sure the kettle is deep. Fry until golden brown, about 1 min. Then lift up the frying basket, hold the croquettes a moment over the fat to drain, and turn them into a pan containing crumpled absorbent paper to absorb the fat. Serve with plain cream sauce, or with egg-parsley, dill or mayonnaise cream sauce.

**Ways With Cream Sauce**

Cream sauce and white sauce used in cookery are one and the same thing. To make a "rich" cream sauce, however, use top milk or light cream. For ordinary cream sauce, use fluid milk or diluted evaporated milk. To make a medium-thick cream sauce, well season and free from lumps, melt 2 tbsp. buttered or margarine in a double-boiler top. Stir in 2 tbsp. flour, ¼ tsp. salt and a few grains pepper, preferably white. When well blended, gradually stir in 1 c. milk, or use top milk or cream, adding about ¼ c. at a time. Stir constantly so the mixture will be thick and smooth before adding more milk.

Continue in this way until all the milk is in. Then put over hot water and cook 10 min.

**Egg-Parsley Cream Sauce:** Beat 1

egg yolk until well mixed. Stir in the white sauce; return to the double-boiler to cook 1 min., stirring constantly. Add 2 tbsp. fine-minced parsley.

## Care Of A Vacuum Cleaner

By ELEANOR ROSS

ONE of our friends has been using the same old vacuum for many years, and it is in such good shape, does such a good job that, instead of treating herself to a new one and passing the old one on, she did just the reverse.

Another housewife we know is always rushing over to borrow a vacuum, although her equipment includes a new beauty. No reflection on the vacuum, of course. It is just that one homemaker is an expert at taking care of her household equipment, while the other lady just doesn't bother about its upkeep. She works it until something goes wrong, and of course, it does.

### Constant Care

To keep a vacuum in perfect working order, there are three parts that need special attention. These are the bag, belt and brush. With few exceptions, all vacuum cleaners have at least two of these parts and they require constant care.

The most obvious of these is the bag, for it is here that the dirt-filled air is filtered, and clean air escapes, leaving the dirt and dust. To handle this filtering process, the bag is made of a porous material. So long as the pores are kept dirt-free, the air is permitted free passage and the machine works at best efficiency.

When, however, dirt clogs the tiny openings in the fabric the air flow is checked, and efficiency is impaired. Just the usual emptying of the bag is not enough. The sides should be well rubbed together to loosen the dust and the bag should be brushed with a stiff brush.

### Checked for Tears

The vacuum bag should be checked for tears or rips. Small holes can be tackled with iron-on tape, but, since this is not porous, it should be used sparingly. Replacing the bag as soon as it shows real signs of wear is a good investment. Or, if your machine is the type, lay in a supply of those paper filter bags to be used in conjunction with a specially-designed bag.

Clean the brush often, but detach it from the machine. The dirt collected on a brush can be transferred right back to the rug. So if the machine is an agitator-brush type model, remove the agitator and clean the brush with a cloth dampened with a drop of carbon tetrachloride. The tufts of the brush should be about ¼ of an inch above the rug pile. A coin will determine the measure. If much further from the pile, the brush is worn and should be replaced.

### Replace in Year

The belt, a small but vital part of the vacuum-cleaner, gives good service for about a year, and should then be replaced. Our careless homemaker, thought she would be smart and substituted a rubber ring for her vacuum cleaner belt, and then only after the real belt had stretched and slipped.

Modern vacuums do not require lubrication, but some of the older models in use do require three drops of oil. If too much oil is used, the motor may smoke. Go over the funs, remove any objects that may have collected there, for it is a favorite roosting place for threads, hairpins and such.

All these are but small chores, but they tend to keep that most useful piece of household cleaning equipment at top efficiency.

## Imaginative Decorating

MANY times we have all wished that our walls were made of elastic so that we could push them around to change the size or shape of a room. And this is especially true when almost anything with walls, windows and doors has had to make do at a price that left little money for structural changes.

Some of the ultra modern places now under construction are being built with disappearing walls, but most of us will have to get along with the homes we now have. That doesn't mean, however, that we have to put up with them in their present state. There are innumerable ways and means—inexpensive, too, by which the amateur home decorator can pull slight-of-hand tricks to good effects. By the wise choice of colours and a liberal sprinkling of imagination, you can achieve almost any desired effect.

As every woman knows from her own clothes, light colours tend to make one look larger, while dark shades make a woman feel positively sylphlike. The same colour principle applies to walls. If you want a room to seem larger, give it a background of a small pattern or pale shades such as the cool blues, grays, cream, ivory or oyster tones. The lighter the shade, the greater the illusion of space.

On the other hand, if you want to create a more intimate effect in a large room put it on reducing diet or small colours. The warm shades such as terra cotta, coco, deep red, rose and the like tend to make a room seem smaller.

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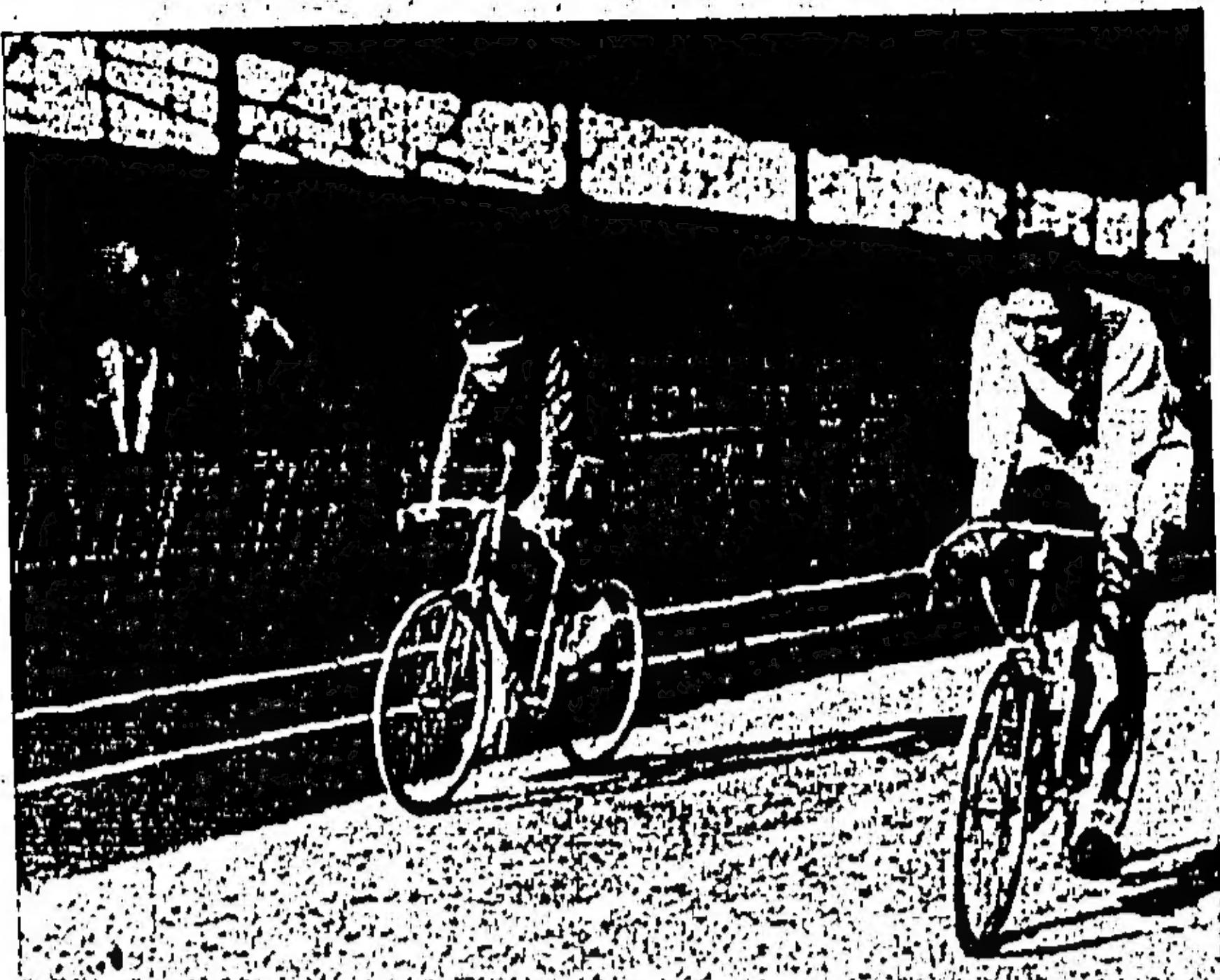
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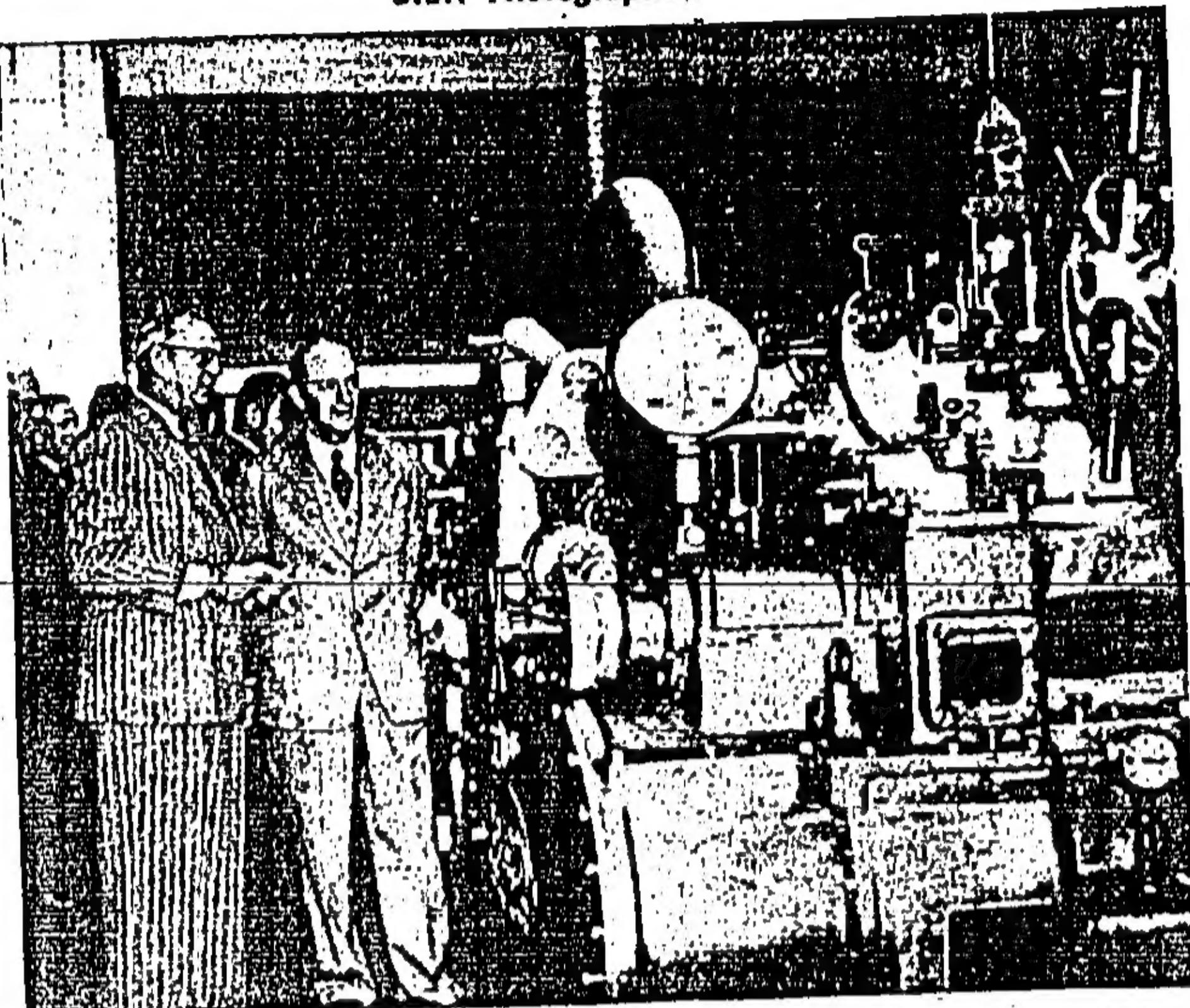
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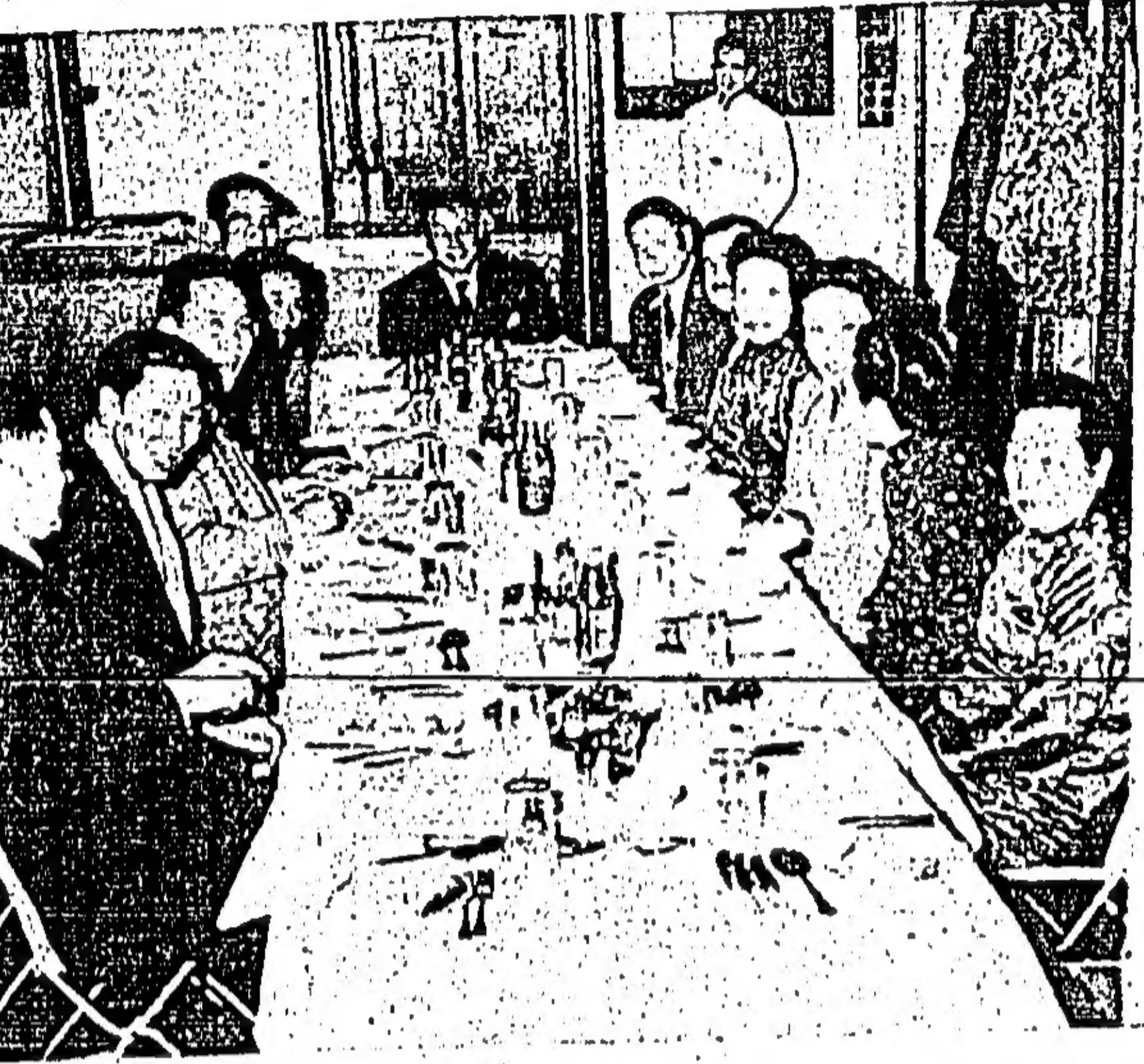
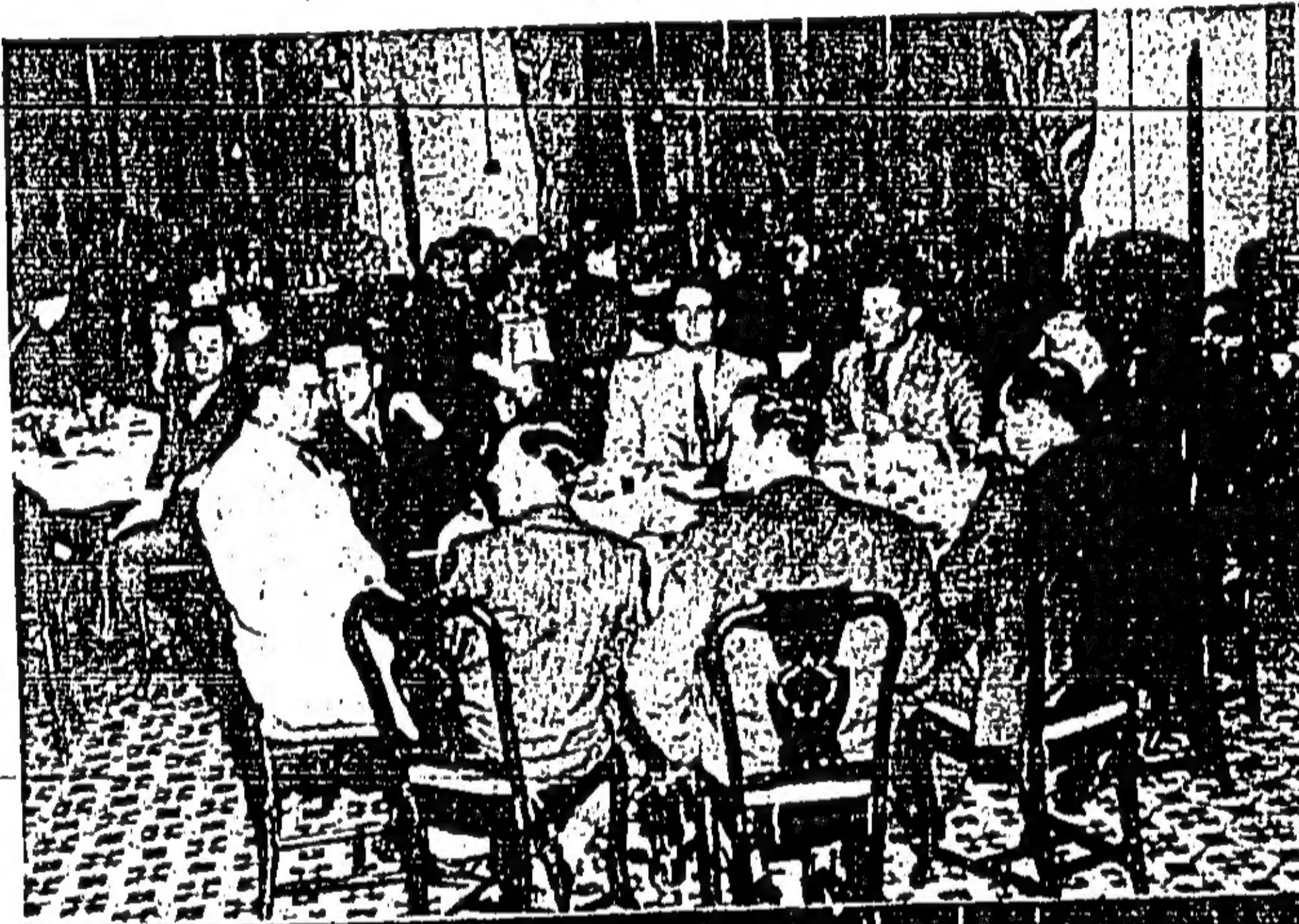
A VERY successful parochial gathering of the Chinese congregation of the Rosary Church took place last Sunday. Pictures above show the apple-biting and knot-undoing competitions.

BELOW: Two pictures taken at the Kam Ling Restaurant on Monday evening, when Messrs. E. Ott and Company gave a dinner party to their friends. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

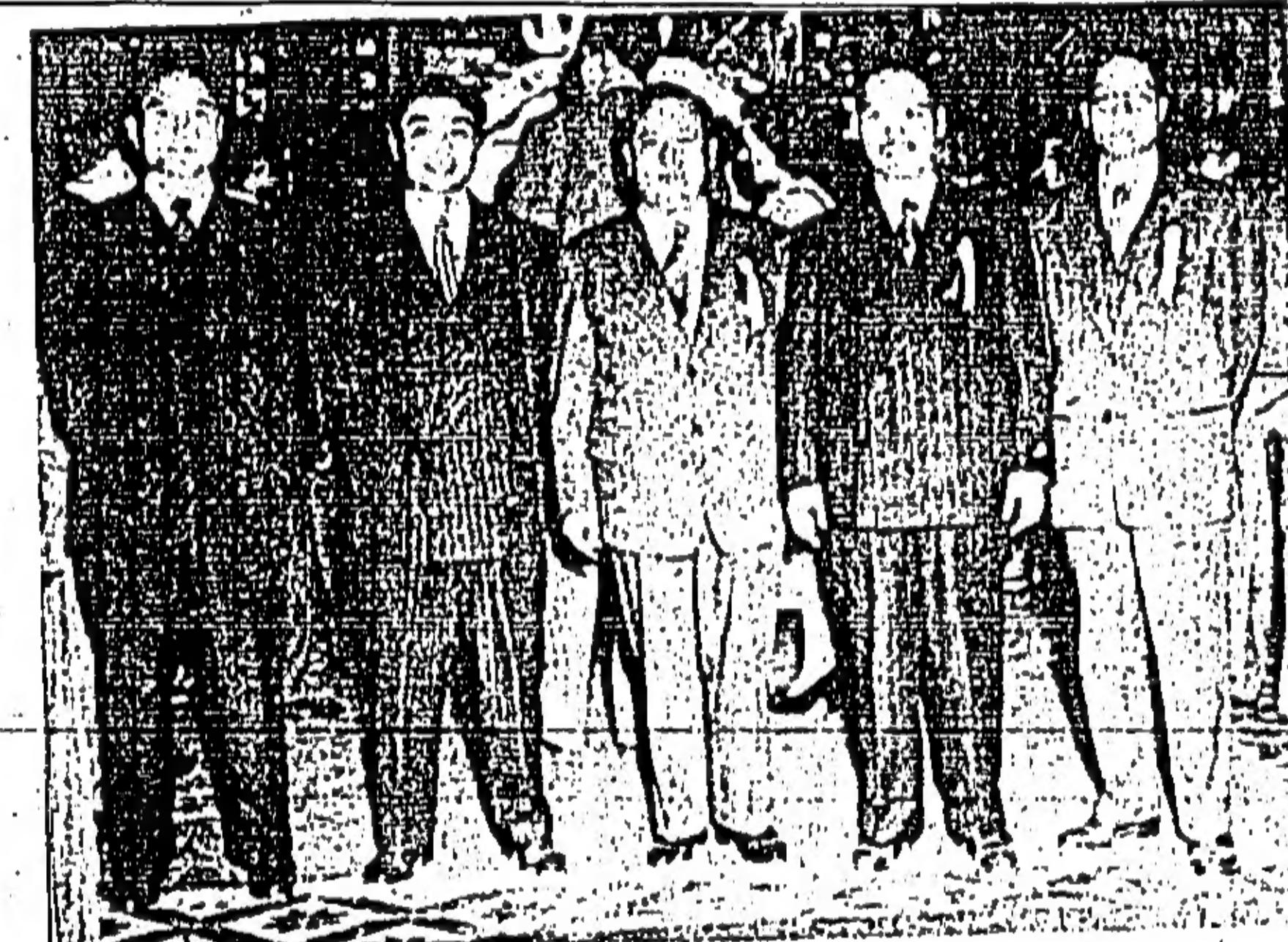


HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, paid a visit to the China Light and Power Company's works at Hunghom last week. Mr F. C. Clemo (left), the manager, shows His Excellency round the plant. (Francis Wu)

LEFT: Mr and Mrs George H. Gallop and their son, Russell George, who was christened at St. Joseph's Church last week. (Ming Yuon)



THE Y's Men's Club of Hongkong held a ladies' night at the Cosmo Club last week, when the above photograph was made. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



THE owners of Golden Dahlia gave a party to about 500 guests at the Kam Ling Restaurant last Saturday to celebrate their Derby victory. Picture shows (from right to left) Messrs Chan Kai-hong, Kwan Fan-fat and Chan Nam-chong, the owners of the pony; Mr W. K. Shioh, the successful jockey; and Mr Lai Loy-fook, the trainer. (Amay)



THE final of the Hongkong University inter-hostel football competition will be decided next week, when Morrison Hall (upper picture), who beat Eliot Hall (lower picture) last week, meets Ricci Hall. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



SOME of the members of the Hongkong Art Club who attended the recent dinner held at the China Fleet Club. (Amay)

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SLEEPY SICKNESS is perhaps one of the cruellest afflictions to be endured by man. Though myself a doctor, I know little about the disease and its end. I do not dip into books dealing with the complaint; for it is foolish to anticipate what may never happen.

The decline is slow. It is quite impossible to say, "I'm worse than I was a week or a month ago." It is necessary to look back to little things that could once be managed but are now impossible.

I am supposed to have contracted the disease in 1924, when I was 31. Previously, the Navy claimed me for eight years, but now I went into general practice at a seaside town, where I joined the local sailing club.

## LOST HIS NERVE

SOME time after this I found difficulty in writing, and my hand-writing became completely illegible.

Soon I lost my nerve for sailing, in which there is always a spice of danger, and competing in the single-

handed race—which I had instituted—became for me an alarming affair.

I consulted my brother, who arranged for me to see a leading neurologist. We met at a country house, and he diagnosed my ailment over the tea-cups.

It was while sailing that I got the first inkling that all was not well with my make-up. Several boats had reached a mark-buoy round which it was necessary to gybe—a tricky moment, for a general smash-up seemed inevitable.

Suddenly my hand started to vibrate on the tiller—a curious sensation, though only momentary. I gained my grip and steered round the buoy safely.

Another warning came at a public luncheon. I was proposing a vote of thanks when my right hand started to vibrate again, but I was able to ram it firmly into my trousered pocket and continue speaking.

## GREAT IRRITATION

They took the report to Marshall, then Secretary of State. And it was Marshall who ordered that it should be cut down and then published in the Foreign Affairs Quarterly, an influential small-circulation magazine which has great influence and prestige.

It appeared signed by "Historicus" and created tremendous interest. Its authorship and State Department sponsorship were open secrets.

But about the same time the article was being set up for publication, Truman himself did something rather enigmatic.

He brought grey hairs to Whitehall and Quai d'Orsay officials when it "leaked" that he was on the point of sending Supreme Court Chief Justice Vinson (an old friend) to Moscow to talk to Stalin.

From Paris Marshall rang up and threatened instant resignation.

Newspaper comment was harshly critical.... Truman called it off.

Then came army service during the war. After demobilisation Morgan wanted to try diplomacy instead of philosophy. The State Department snapped him up and sent him to Moscow as First Secretary to the Embassy.

Morgan went on to become a Professor of Philosophy, but he doggedly continued his Stalin studies. And by the time he was to America's turn-down to Russia—(irony)—to Moscow really fluent in Russian he had also managed to become the world's foremost authority on Stalin's writings and philosophy.

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Soon after he got there, 43-year-old Morgan began bringing himself up to date on Stalin. And when that was done, he sat down and wrote a monumental report for his Superior in Washington.

It ran to thousands of words and provided an extraordinary, detailed contrast between what Stalin has been telling foreigners since he became Russia's leader, and what he has been telling his own people.

Point by point through the years Morgan had studied the double record. He produced factual evidence to show that conciliatory statements made by Stalin to important visitors were contradicted by an overwhelming mass of doctrinal statements published inside Russia.

The inescapable conclusion was that the conciliatory statements must be written off as the Soviet Union's short-term tactics designed to deceive and lull.

And while the non-Russian world was shaking its head over the "enigma of Stalin" and complaining about the apparent "reversals of policy" by Russia and the "party line flip-flops," it was all, said Morgan, "too simple."

THE MAIN LINE

The hard core of Soviet doctrine never changes. Tactics and strategy may change, but not the main line.

And Morgan said that Stalin clearly foresaw war between Russia and the West. To use his own favourite Lenin quotation:—

"The existence of the Soviet Union side by side with the Imperialist States for a long time is unthinkable. In the end either one or the other will conquer."

"And until that time comes a series of most terrible collisions between the Soviet Union and bourgeois States is inevitable."

That report went to Washington. It was studied by the State Department's two-man team of Russian experts, 43-year-old Charles "Chips" Bohlen and 44-year-old Harold Kenneth.

So world peace depends to a large extent on a proud and stubborn man who will not do any more travelling as far as Russia is concerned.

And far away in the Moscow embassy is the self-taught Russian expert whose researches are playing so startling a part. One wonders what he thinks—as a philosopher of it all!

Afterwards he took me for a stroll, and I remember him asking if my mouth seemed wetter than usual.

Little did I realise then that excessive salivation was to become the tribulation of my life. He told me what I was suffering from in the gentlest way, and it was a relief to know something definite.

Things went from bad to worse until I had difficulty in memorising my patients' faces.

Deciding to give up my practice and return to the Navy, I went to the Admiralty and felt guilty enough on signing a statement that I was free from physical disability.

At this stage I could have fooled the whole Royal College of Physicians, but life on submarine deposit proved impossible, and I was invalided out of the Service.

This almost finished me, but in the backwater of village, with my wife and child, life became happy.

In the winter months I enjoyed rough shooting, though slow on the trigger.

I was now 34, and tremor and salivation were becoming troublesome.

I was treated with stramonium, which is still remarkably effective, though, as it takes about an hour to act, the temptation to hurry things up by taking too much is almost overpowering. The result of an overdose, however, is devastating: a bone-dry mouth, a feeble heart-beat, a feeling of distress, and hysteria producing an exaggerated sense of humour, though in the background all the time is a sober awareness.

DEAL OF FRUSTRATION

I HAVE to fight the devil of frustration. Everything is difficult. Little details of everyday life are puzzles to me. Putting on clothes, doing up shoelaces, fastening shirt buttons, holding a cup of tea—all these are obstacles.

So here I am at the age of 55. Life for me is awkward and yet strangely happy.

How has this disease affected my character? All for the better. I can bear the keenest disappointment and each new disability with almost complete equanimity.

I am more sympathetic and can better understand the foibles and anxieties of other people.

My belief that man possesses a separate entity apart from his husk of a body has been greatly strengthened by my experiences.

I sit, as it were, inside my shell, watching my person behaving in its vise fashion, while my being is thing apart, held prisoner for a time.

My speech has become indistinct, and how maddening it is to receive a grotesquely irrelevant answer to some simple remarks. My latest trouble is in walking, which is much harder indoors, where my way is beset with many corners.

A COHOLISM is associated with half the crime, a third of all suicides, and a large proportion of mental diseases in all countries where it is prevalent.

Standard methods of treatment, which involve admission to a nursing home, hospital or institution, leave much to be desired. During this time the patient is cut off from all access to alcohol, and various sedative drugs are administered. But on return to normal life, relapses are common.

Lately, an association known as "Alcoholics Anonymous," which consists of people who have been cured of alcoholism, has attacked the problem in a different way. They claim success in approximately half the cases treated, and will help only the patient who is willing to make a sincere effort to stop drinking.

"Never take the first drink," and "I won't have a drink today," are their slogans. If the convert feels his resolution wavering, he gets in touch with other members, who persuade him to keep it.

These methods, both medical and lay, fail to remove the craving or desire for drink. Patients are either dependent on drugs or the company of others to keep them away from alcohol.

When the patient is treated by medical hypnosis, institutional or hospital treatment is unnecessary and the patient can continue his normal work. There is no craving or desire for drink, so no hardship is involved. The patient can live a normal life, and mix with friends who drink. This gives him the increased confidence and self-respect which alcoholics need so badly.



## The eighth Dominion planned

SALISBURY (Southern Rhodesia). — A new British Dominion as big as South Africa may spring from a conference of central African political leaders at Victoria Falls.

They are expected to pass a resolution calling for federation of the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland.



This will be but Stage One of a political journey which may take three years.

Stage Two will see the framing of detailed proposals at a bigger conference.

Stage Three will end with the British Government's approval of the plan.

Stage Four, in self-governing Southern Rhodesia, will be a referendum. Public opinion in Whitehall-governed Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland will be tested in some other way.

Stage Five will be the setting up of a Constituent Assembly to draft a federal constitution.

Southern Rhodesia (pop. 1,764,000) is a self-governing colony whose external affairs are controlled by Britain.

Both Northern Rhodesia (pop. 1,658,810) and Nyasaland (pop. 2,230,000) are Protectorates administered through the Colonial Office. Total area of the three is 475,500 square miles.

The seven Dominions are: Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, India, Pakistan, and Ceylon.

## Hypnotism can cure the 'lost week-enders'

This method of treating drunkards brings quick and lasting results. Why are doctors—and the public—shy of using it asks a Harley Street specialist

A typical case, Dr X. had taken excessive alcohol for 20 years. He would even drink methylated spirits.

He had tried all sorts of treatments without success, and agreed to try hypnotism as a last resort.

Five hypnotic sessions of half-an-hour at weekly intervals removed the craving completely. In fact, he did not touch alcohol after the first session. There have been no signs of a relapse over a considerable period of time. His wife reports that he is mentally, morally and physically a different man.

Why is hypnotism not more widely used by the medical profession?

First, few doctors have any real practical knowledge of hypnotism; the subject is not taught in medical schools.

Second, the public associate hypnotism with witchcraft and magic, as the result of stories of the Svennall-Tribby type. Once it is realised that there is nothing "occult" about hypnotism, and that it is simply a highly scientific method of applying suggestion, the present prejudice against its use will die.

Imagination is much stronger than will-power.

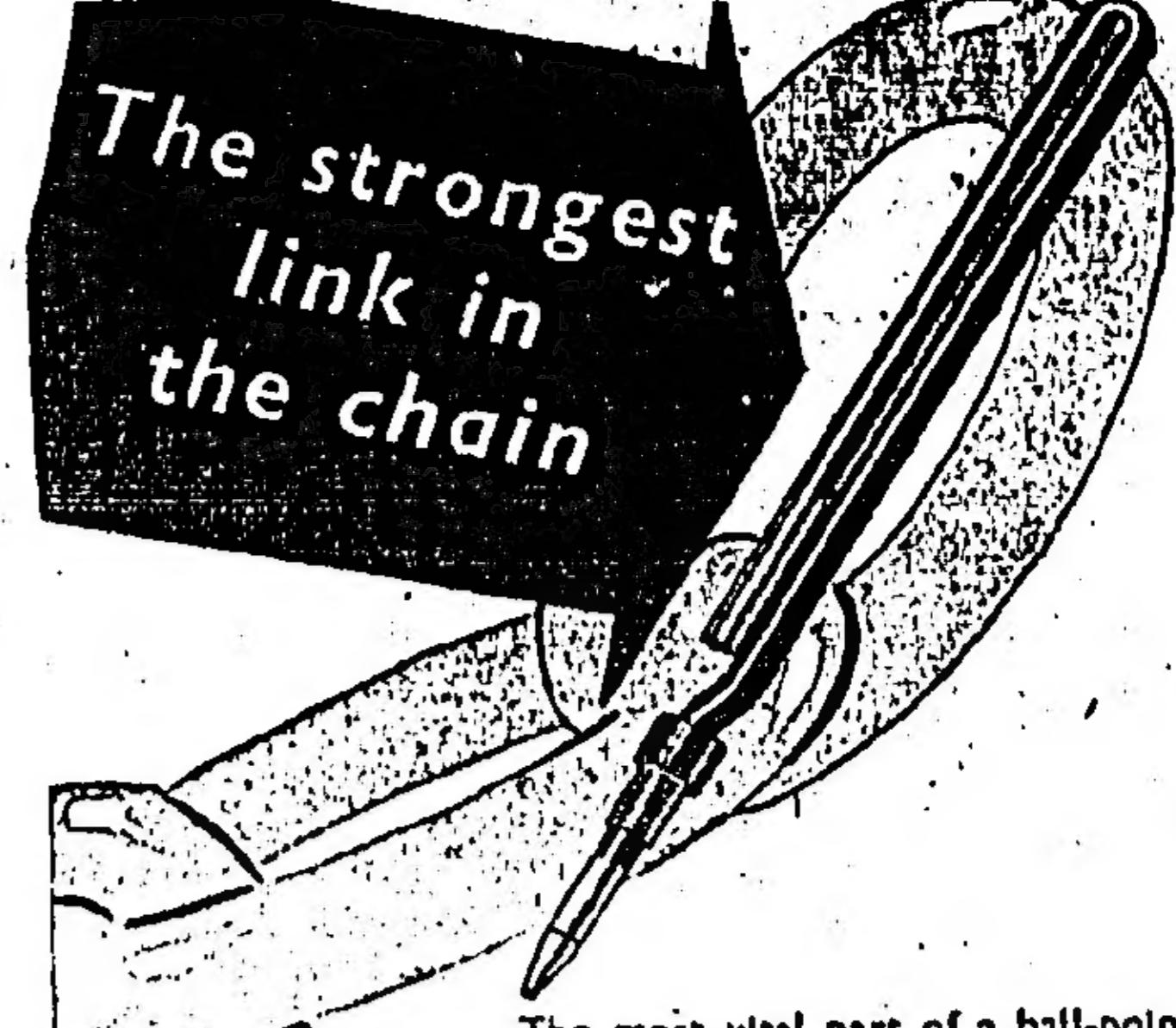
Suggestion and imagination, which are powerful enough in waking life, become infinitely more powerful in the hypnotic state. Here, in a pleasant, drowsy state, halfway between being asleep and being awake, the patient's whole mind is concentrated on the hypnotist's suggestions, instead of being occupied with a hundred different thoughts, as in waking life. If the suggestions are correctly phrased, and do not run directly opposite to the patient's wishes, and moral ideas, then they will be carried out to the letter.

The patient is not an automaton, even in deep hypnosis, and will reject any suggestion which is against his moral principles.

Simply to hypnotise the patient and say: "You must not drink..." or "Drink will make you sick..." is of little importance. It is only a method of manipulating the patient's imagination until the mind is in such a state that it will accept, retain, and act upon curative suggestions. It has nothing to do with will power.

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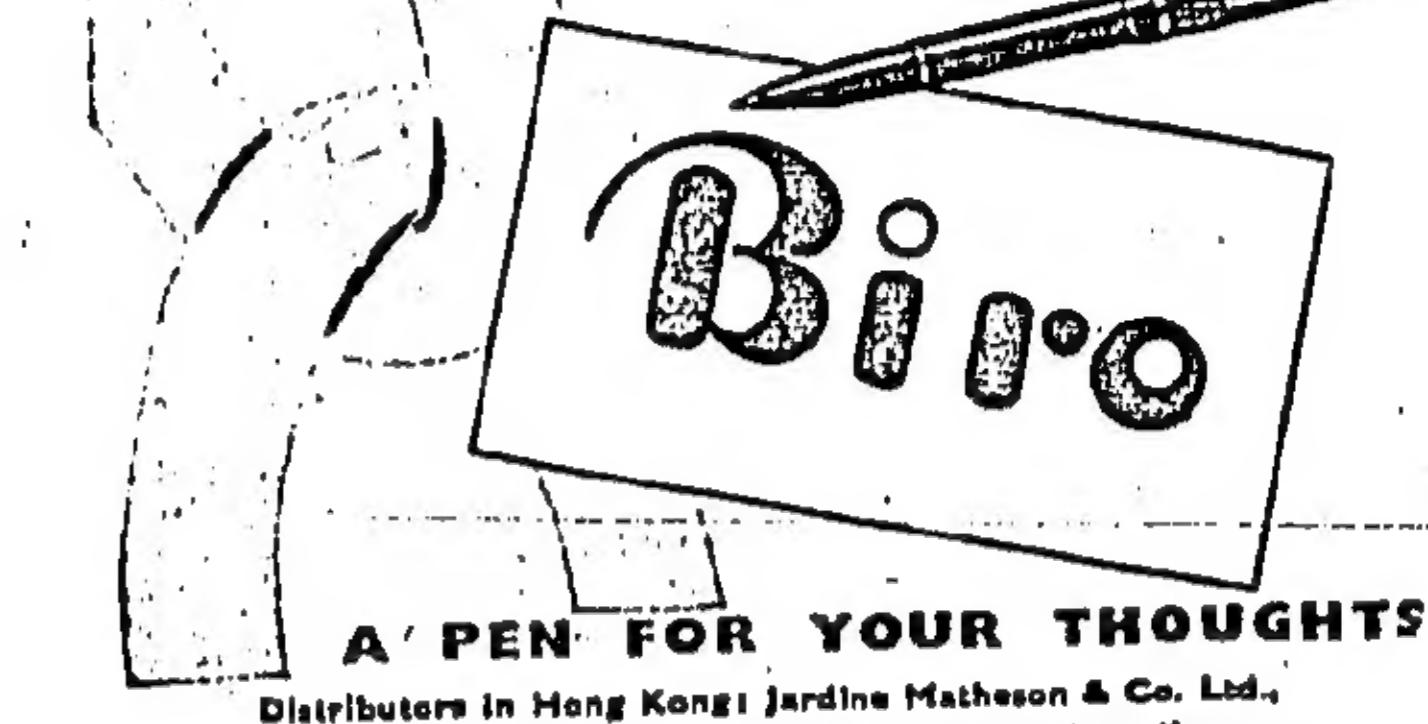
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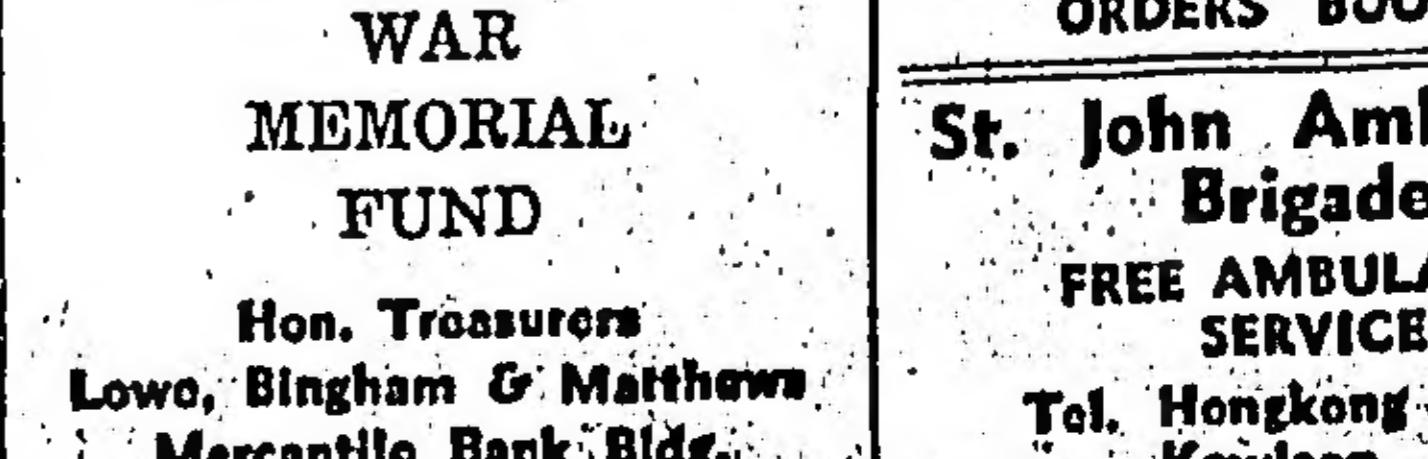
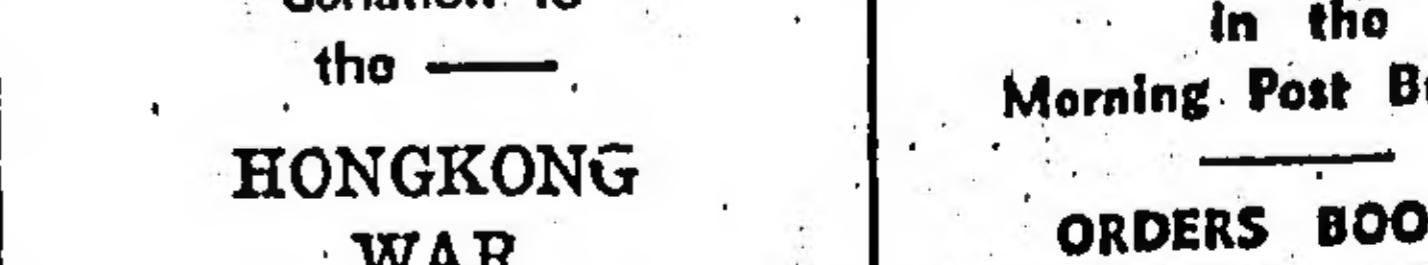
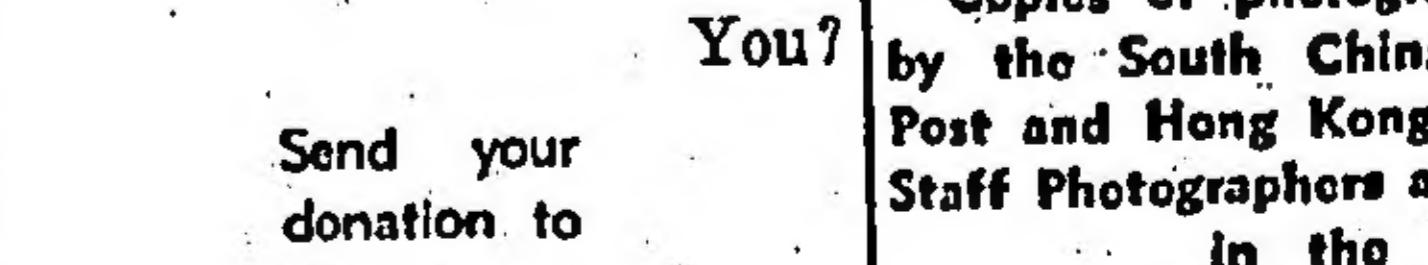
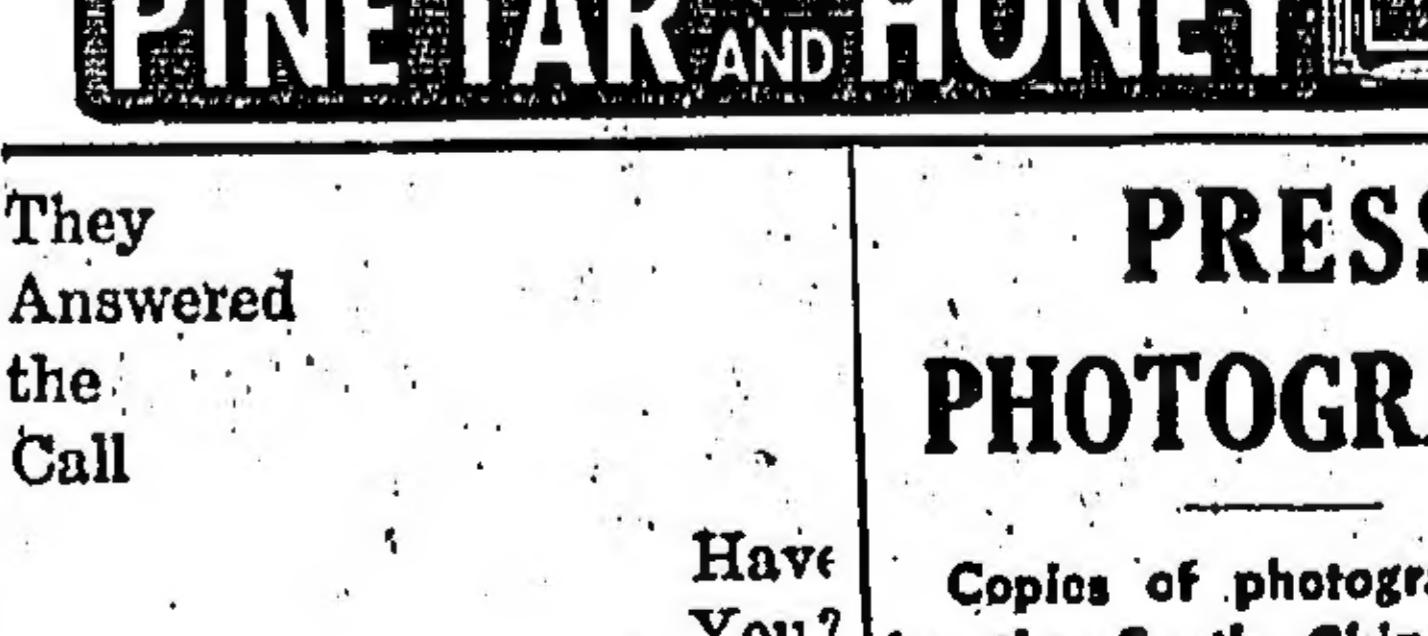
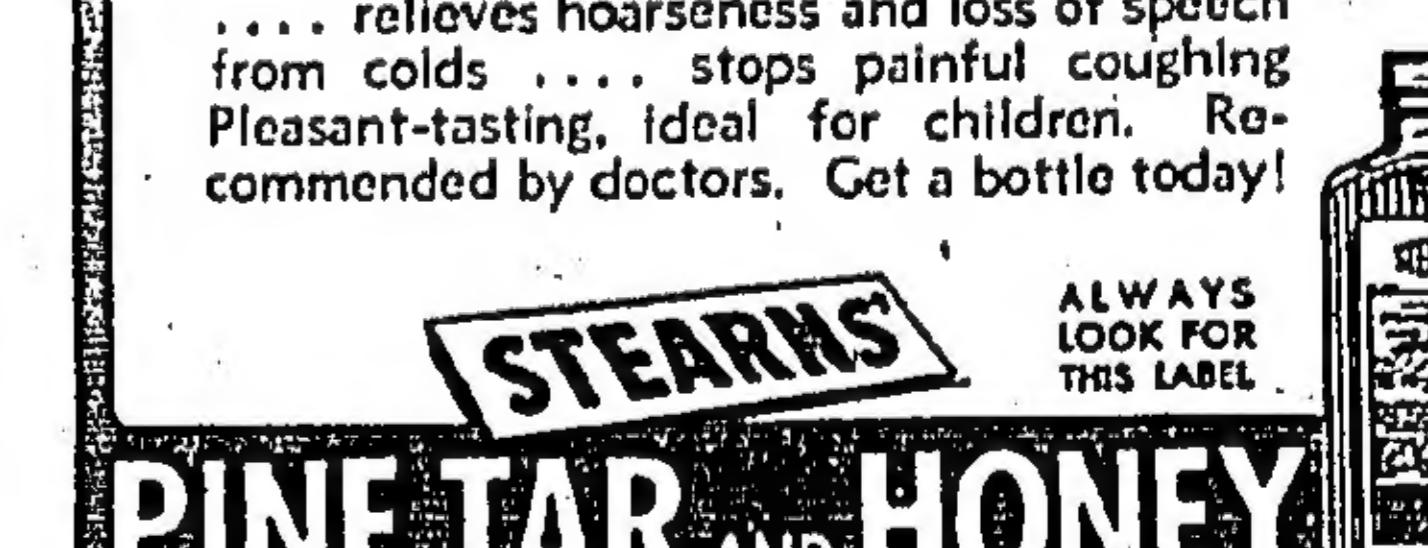
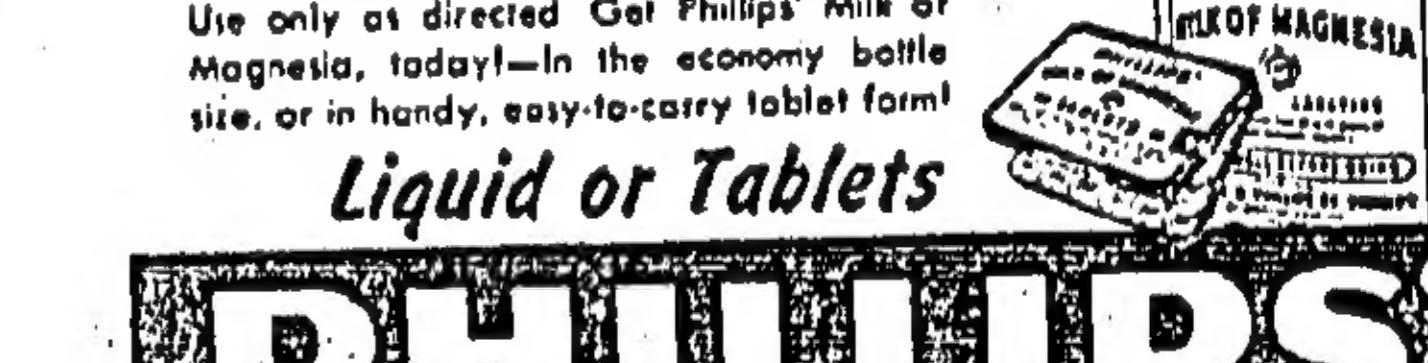
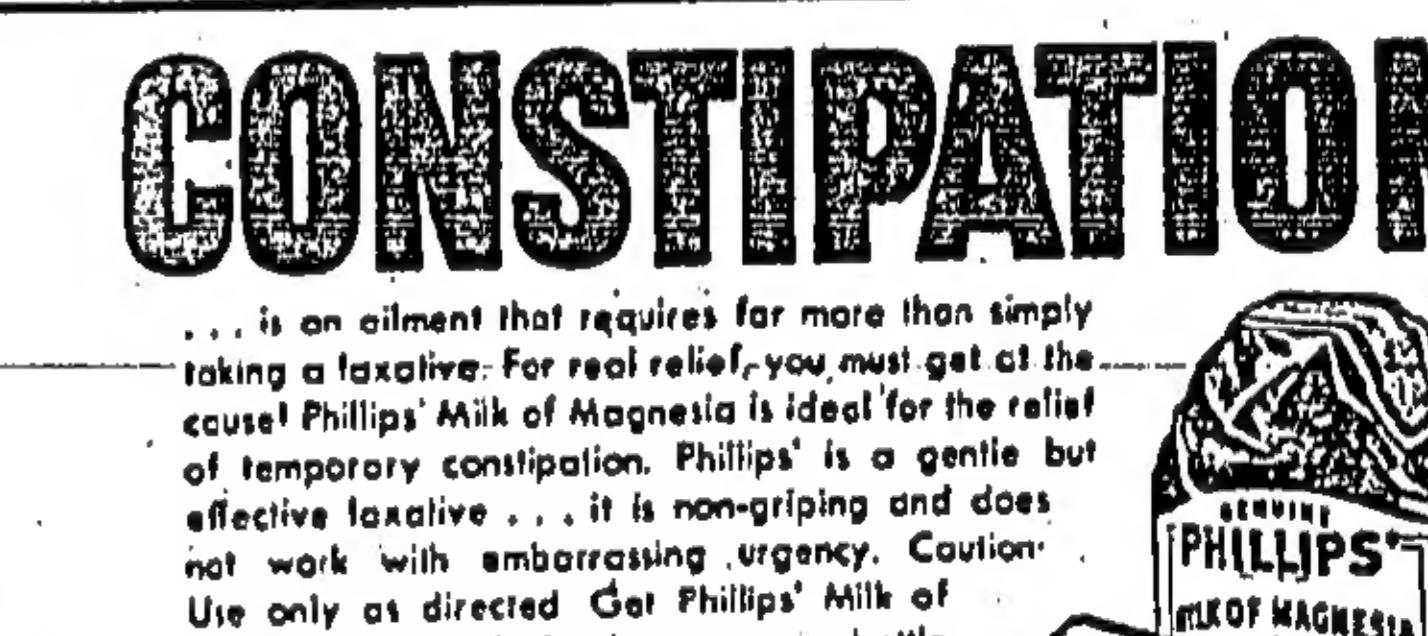
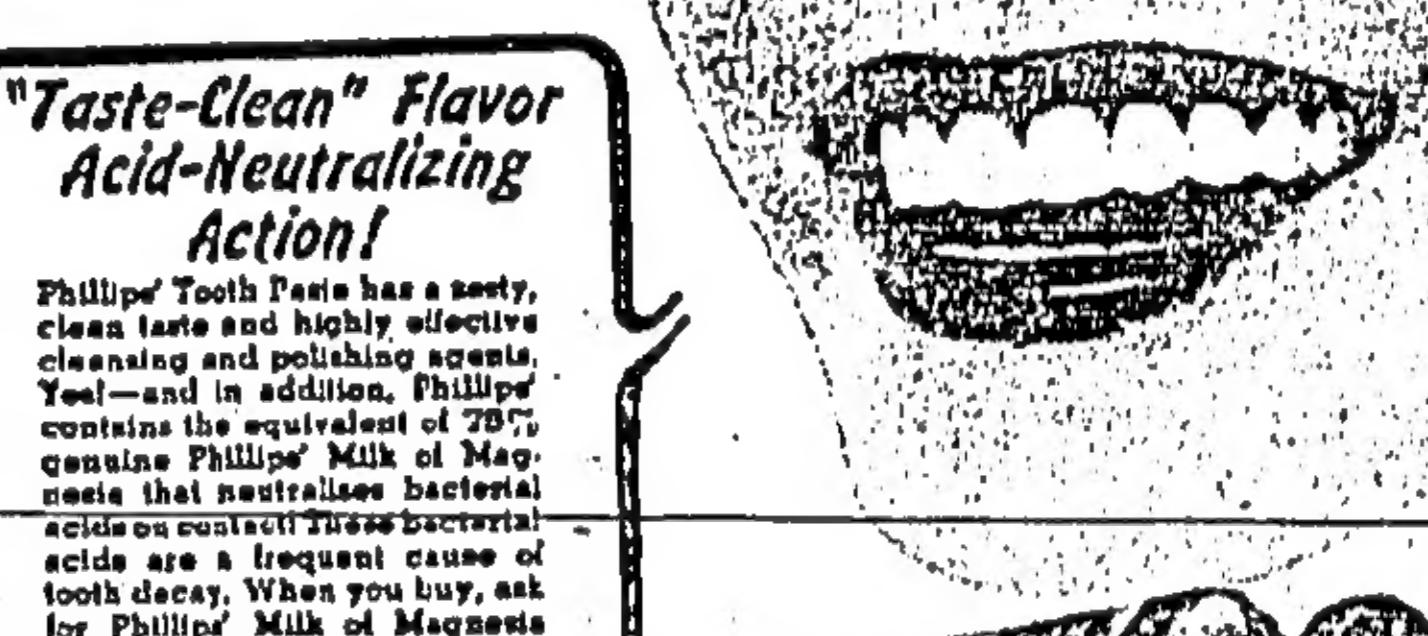
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## LEAGUE SOCCER

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# HIGH SCORER



Whitely Skoog, sophomore forward on the Minnesota basketball team, is a big reason the Gophers are undefeated in 13 games. Skoog, Big Ten high scorer, has tallied 85 points in five conference games.

## Money Chasing

With too much money chasing too few football stars, transfers are going up and up. The latest sign of inflation is the transfer of Ivor Broadis, the Carlisle United player-manager at a fee believed to be over £18,000, which constitutes a record for a Third Division player.

Sunderland were not the only club anxious to sign this inside-forward for, at a meeting before he signed for them, Manchester City, Preston North-end and Blackburn Rovers were also represented.

Broadis gave as his reason for leaving Carlisle the fact that he wanted to return to first-class football. At 26 years of age, Broadis was the youngest manager in the Football League. He formerly played as an amateur for Tottenham Hotspur and went to Carlisle in March 1946.

A year ago the directors declined an offer of £12,000 from Sunderland for Broadis' services. The most unusual feature of the transfer is the fact that Broadis has given up a job as a player-manager to return to the role of a full-time professional.

## AWKWARD

It is bound to be a little awkward for Broadis to readjust himself at first. Instead of being in a position of authority and guiding the rest of the team, he must now obey instructions and fit in with the ideas of someone else.

No doubt Broadis considered the position very carefully before making his decision and it is known that the Carlisle directors adjourned their meeting in order that he could go home and talk it over with his wife.

One thing which may have helped to make up his mind is the knowledge that when he does eventually retire from the active side of the game, he should have little difficulty in finding a job on the managerial side again.

His experience over the past two years will stand him in good stead. It is even possible that he will return to Carlisle but not for a few years yet, because he may well have another six or seven playing years ahead.

sure was a menace and his was, as per custom, a big contribution to the Canuck triumph. His timely double scored the first runs and when the big surge was on, he was there as well with another hit. His headiness at first had the makeshift infield in good order.

Dr. G. F. Lee, Canadians—"Gegee" is one of those older players who "never" grow old and he was almost everywhere and shining that day. He hit in runs. He caught most of them. He was mighty energetic. His swing was hard, excited—and, at times, in a spin. He was one of the big men of the winning unit. The doctor gave a lesson that it's never too old to play ball. A swell example, oldtimer Gegee.

A. H. Ismail, Canadians—His share in the slugging attack for the Canadians was two hits, including a very neat bunt. He was playing second after held before, the catcher position, then third base. An "inoffensive" player, he is popular and had, a few times before, contributed much to Maple Leaf success.

## Mister Conquest



## Olympic Boxing Referees Weeded Out By AIBA

## By GEORGE WHITING

Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur, controllers of Olympic boxing, have sacked 17 of the 37 referees and 19 of the 56 judges who officiated at the 1948 Games at Wembley.

Three British referees—Charles Thompson of London; Ivor Matthews, of Cardiff; and Stanley Royle, of Sheffield—have survived the purge and are included in a new panel of referees and judges considered capable of handling international bouts.

Two London judges, policemen Harry Mallin and Jim Titmus, are also on the "retained" list. Neither judged in the Olympics.

Lieut.-Colonel R. H. Russell, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, declined to comment on the AIBA decisions, but confirmed that copies of an official condemnation of the refereeing and judging at Wembley had been sent to overseas associations.

"There can be no defense for one judge, who gave every round to a boxer who was a clear loser."

Some judges gave verdicts to boxers who had repeatedly and openly infringed the rules.

In all, there were approximately 12 contests in which winners were returned as losers due to bad judging.

Referees permitted hitting with the inside of the glove, lying on, holding, low blows and dangerous use of the head. All 37 of the referees allowed infringements to go unchecked, some to such a degree that the result was clearly affected.

These and similar criticisms are made by the Olympic Jury d'Appel, whose removal of referees and judges during the Games made front page news in every country in the world.

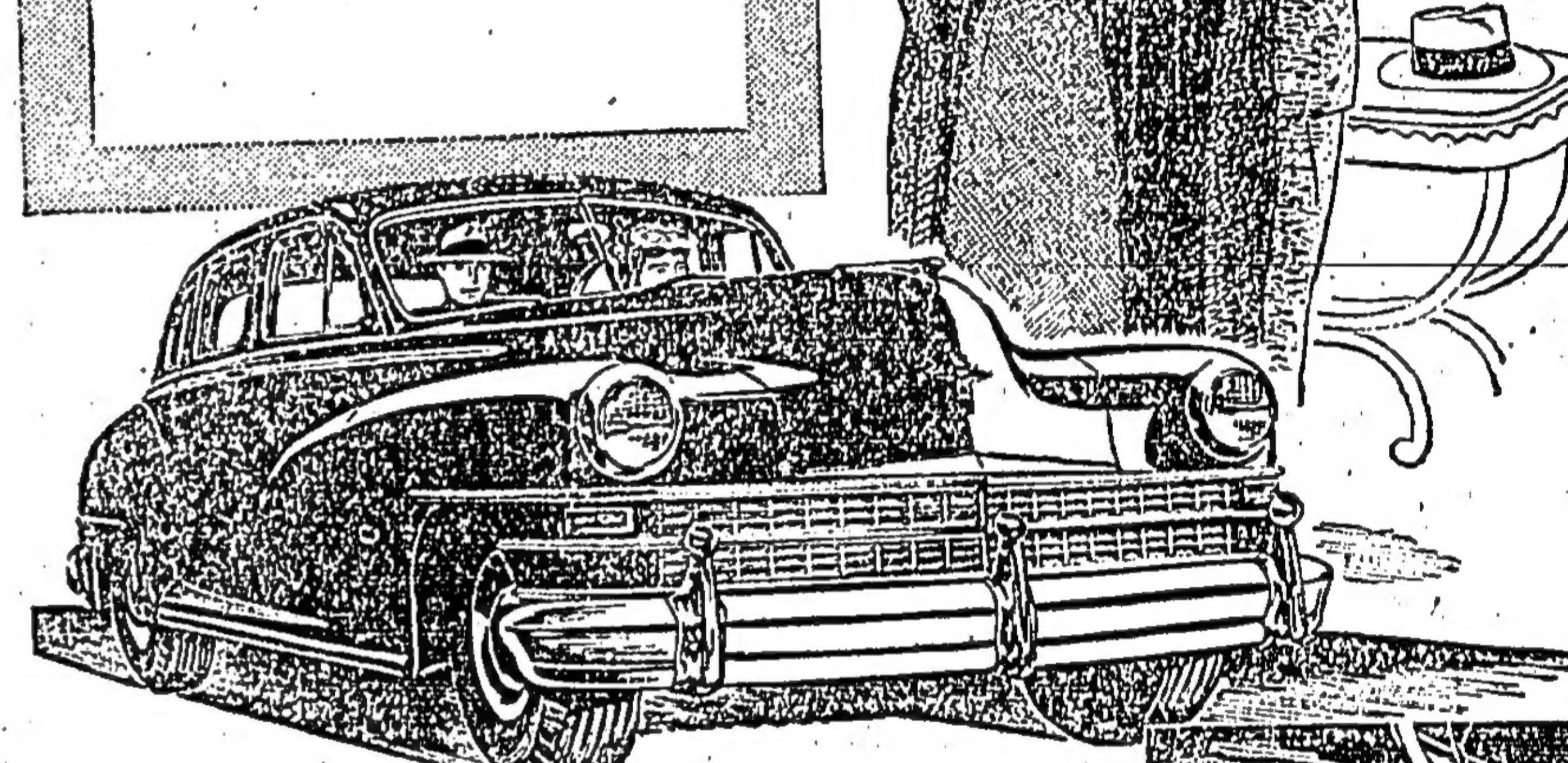
The Jury, I understand, are now recommending that six successive days of Olympic boxing are too great a strain on competitors, and are advising a limited entry to future Games.

## WINNERS WERE LOSERS

"If the standard of refereeing and judging seen at the Olympiad is the best available in the various countries," says an executive committee report, "it must be considered that the position generally is decidedly unsatisfactory."

"Judges marked, as winners, boxers who were very clearly losers. Of the 56 officials who acted as judges, one third were below the required standard for international boxing."

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## FROM HERE AND THERE:

**Weathermen Watch The Caterpillar**

**NEW YORK.**—A group of New York scientists is making a five-year test to see if grandpa's methods of forecasting weather were more accurate than science's. Fifty years ago New Yorkers predicted what kind of winter they would have by the way the brown and black bands on the back of the woolly bear caterpillar ran. Brown meant mild weather, black severe; and the head meant December, the tail March. Their records so far show the woolly bear to be 100 percent correct.

## NO MORE CRIME COMICS?

**OTTAWA:** The crime comic book, which has become an integral part of the life of most Canadian children, may disappear. A private Bill, which would abolish crime comics, has been introduced into Parliament, and church and educational groups throughout Canada have condemned crime comic books as liable to contribute to juvenile delinquency.

## SHOE-SHINE BOY

**NEW YORK:** Until recently Rick Brown, a 21 year-old Negro, shined shoes in Chicago. Then a customer became fascinated with the chant he used while polishing and hired him to sing outside the nightclub he owned. Then the bandleader who played inside the nightclub heard the chant and asked Rick to come inside and make a gramophone record. Today the recording company is rushing out the record in the belief that they have discovered the greatest swing singer in years.

## FISHY STORY

**ROME:** Venice shopkeeper Fausto Bianchi, fishing from a boat off Burano with a girl friend, caught a fish. Before he could haul it in a seagull swoop down and swallowed the fish and hook. At the same time another gull attacked Fausto and his girl, pecking them fiercely. Finally the boat overturned, and the Merchant of Venice and friend were rescued just in time by another fishing boat.

## MEN'S CLOTHES GO GAY

**NEW YORK:** The "New Look" for the poor American male is about to be unveiled. Apparently the 1949 styles will make him look bolder, taller, more colourful, more natural, more sleek, and more comfortable—all at the same time. All the emphasis is on colour. We are going to put women in their place, at last, one designer told me. There will be plenty of pastel shades, specially for slacks, burgundy and royal blue instead of the traditional greys and browns, and for the daring, even yellow. The lounge suit is radically changed in design. The coats will have square shoulders and they will not fit so snugly. And they will be

at least an inch longer to give that tall look. Trouser will be floppy. And in sports clothes, what the trade calls the "personalized jacket" will make its first appearance. It will carry a monogram over the breast pocket.

## SERUM FOR CATS

**WASHINGTON:** Distressed by reports from England that there is an epidemic of flu among cats, the American Feline Society has flown over 300 cubic centimetres of a new serum to end the epidemic.

## ESKIMO YES-MEN

**OTTAWA.**—Canada's 8,000 Eskimos are to be allowed to go on getting married by mutual consent, without formalities. The North-West Territories Council, which rules 1,200,000 square miles by remote control from Ottawa, asked the Federal Justice Department to bring the territories' laws up to date. To do this thoroughly, said the lawyers, the white man's wedding ceremony would have to be made compulsory. The council thought it over for months—and decided to leave things as they are. To insist on real weddings would make all past "marriages" illegal.

## ENTER MOSCOW'

**CAPE TOWN.**—Sam Kahn, South Africa's first Communist M.P., had only one speech for his swearing-in by the Speaker recently. The necessary second one, a Smuts man, interjected himself "in common decency." The three walked up the Chamber to cries of "Enter Moscow."

## BLACK SCHOOLS

**NAIROBI.**—Indian members of the Kenya Legislative Council have unearthed a "black market" in education. Some teachers deliberately give pupils low marks, and then approach parents with offers of private tuition for big fees.

## COSTLY BET

**JOHANNESBURG.**—Gill Mdazala, 29-year-old African, won a £1 bet by drinking a bottle of neat brandy at one sitting. The next day he died.



## THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF SIR PATRICK HASTINGS. Heinemann, 15s. 302 pages.



**S**OON after he was called to the Bar, Patrick Hastings, poor and pertinacious, devilled for a barrister named Gill, skilled in securing acquittals where the charge was in discretion in a public park.

Walking through Hyde Park one evening with Smeed, Gill's clerk, Hastings came upon a brilliant new electric light standard. "Do you see that beastly light?" said Smeed gloomily. "When the authorities put it up here, it cost Mr Gill £2,000 a year."

Hastings has, by universal opinion, one of the sharpest wits in the trade. It has not always saved him from discomfiture. Once he unsuccessfully defended a man who got a 12 months' sentence at the Old Bailey. Hastings and his client parted with strong mutual distaste.

## MR CLAUD MULLINS, FORMER LONDON MAGISTRATE, GIVES HIS VERDICT ON A BOOK OF COURT CASES

MY COURT CASEBOOK, by Marice Wiggin, Sylvan Press, 10/-, 224 pages.

**I**t would be interesting to read a report by a psychiatrist explaining why so many law-abiding people enjoy reading reports of criminal cases evening by evening. Is it that in this way people can give harmless exercise to their own unconscious criminal tendencies? King Lear declaimed to Kent:

Tremble, thou wretch, thou hast whipp'd of justice.

According to the teaching of the psychiatrists, we all have "close pent-up guilts," to quote Lear again. Freud believed that we work off these unconscious criminal tendencies in our dreams.

But if it may be that newspaper readers obtain similar relief by reading off the errors of others, who were less fortunate in that their

A year or so later, the man turned up as a witness against Hastings, and was plainly bent on being offensive. Hastings warned him: "You will not answer like that if you take my advice."

"I once took your advice," retorted the witness. "The result was that I went to prison for 12 months."

There is no joy in the courts like that arising when an advocate comes off second best.

At one time Hastings worked closely with a solicitor who defended insurance companies against fraudulent claims.

In one, man had fallen from a ladder and, in consequence, became a hopeless imbecile. So pitiful was his state that he carried about large dolls, to which he talked incessantly.

An insurance company, which was paying compensation, remained brutally sceptical. A final visit to Harley Street was arranged. The poor lunatic was photographed leaving the doctor's house, in tears and clasping the dolls to his bosom.

An unscrupulous reader of this lively book might come to the conclusion that Sir Patrick's success has depended almost entirely in helpful friends and generous colleagues. Those who read between the lines will resist this too hasty opinion.

Mr. Wiggin is a good descriptive writer. Thus: "When Spencer left Preston in the early hours, a message flashed ahead of him, just as it does ahead of ambassadors, and there was a reception party waiting for him when his train panted into Euston at 6.30 a.m."

There is an introductory chapter that reveals Mr. Wiggin's limitations. He is so impressed with the Metropolitan magistrates—and deservedly so—that he belittles the lay justices, who do most magisterial work. He assumes that "professional magistrates" are trained in all their work. They are trained to conduct fair trials, and that is a great asset, but are they trained to pass wise sentences? Mr. Wiggin should read the latest book of Mr. Leo Pago—*The Sentence of the Court*.

## LIBRARY LIST

THE TONGUE-TIED CANARY By Michael Joseph, 6s. od. 223 pages. Lightly tries on the mantle of Bunyan, and in his story of mystery, danger, and pursuit has the remarkable love and quiet parts.

THE SILVER TOUGH By Neil M. Gunn. Faber and Faber, 6s. 320 pages. An archaeological search in the Highlands.

THE SPLENDOUR By Michael Sadlier. Constable, 6s. 300 pages. Re-issue of the full-length novel of the author's life, which wicked old woman and a painted ear play their scandalous parts.

THE MAN WITH THE JACK HAMMANT, 6s. 272 pages. A brief fable of a Mexican pearl fisher who found the pearl of wisdom in the sea and was glad to throw it back again. Twenty-six thousand words for 6s. is too expensive.

to Decide, this remarkable harridan is killed off by page 40, and all is dress that is not Helena.

For who are left?

1.—Helena's grizzling stepson Claud, a stick if ever there was one. Does he really love Ellen, the sharp-tongued girl from the Board of Trade? I don't believe it and most people won't care.

Claud is an art-fancier, as his name would imply. He gazing on Ellen with the dawning passion of a suspicious dealer confronted by a doubtful Vermeer. She responds to his advances with the scolded ardour of a departmental sub-committee.

Somewhat less of an iceberg is (2). Helena's daughter Charman, self-appointed martyr-wife to Evans, a bad boy who runs after women so long as Charman loves him and takes to the bottle as soon as she stops.

3.—Johnny Field, Helena's erstwhile platonic boy-friend, who gets himself and Evan into a click over a motor-car racket, and a good job too. The best you can say for Johnny is that he is so sluglike he makes even Claud seem veritable.

What men! What women! What a world of tepid self-indulgence and raging self-pity! How little we care what happens to its inhabitants (although it would be nice if somebody strangled Evans's awful mother).

And what a pity that Pamela Johnson's talent should be spent on such creatures! For she has personality, gifts; she is one of the hopes of our writing fiction. She has already reached the front rank of *Les Girls* of the English novel. Where are *Les Boys*? Tell me that, somebody.

It will be a good thing if she creates some new rich, flamboyant, fruity character somebody on the largest scale. Miss Hansford Johnson is at her happiest designing for the outside world.

TREVANNION. By L. A. G. Strong, Methuen, 10s. 6d. 341 pages.

TREVANNION is a seedy rascal and a figure of dubious consequence in the seaside town of Dycor's Bay.

Strong might have made him a comic character in a good tradition.

At first it seems he will do so, especially when Trevannion launches his matrimonial offensive against Miss Balgannon, and when Mr Antrim, a slender rogue, looms up.

Instead, Strong opts for tragedy and sentiment. Everything heads straight for a highly moral ending.

**Sir Patrick Hastings Hid His Face**

GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON reviews the NEW BOOKS

**VIGNETTES OF LIFE**

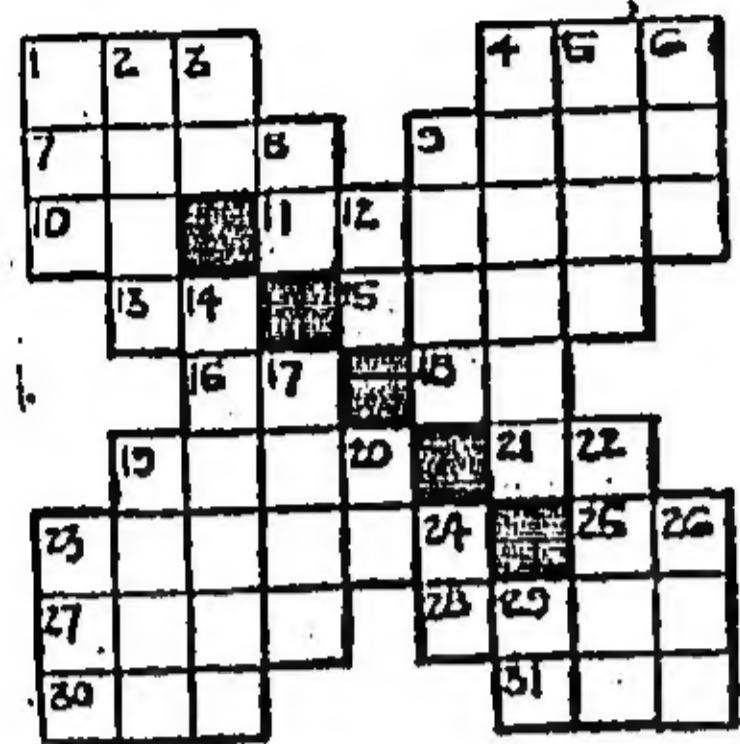
SPORTS

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## MENTAL GYMNASIUM

## CROSSWORD



## HOMONYM

These missing words sound alike but are spelled differently. Fill in the blanks:

It was a difficult task to bring the horse to — in the heavy downpour of —

## ANSWERS

## WORD SQUARE:

CAPES  
ADORE  
POLAR  
ERASE  
SERES

## HOMONYM:

Rein, rain.

## RIDDLES

1—Because he is Emma's son (Emerson). 2—The Usk (husk). 3—Ur-chins. 4—A revolver. 5—When it strikes one.

## CROSSWORD

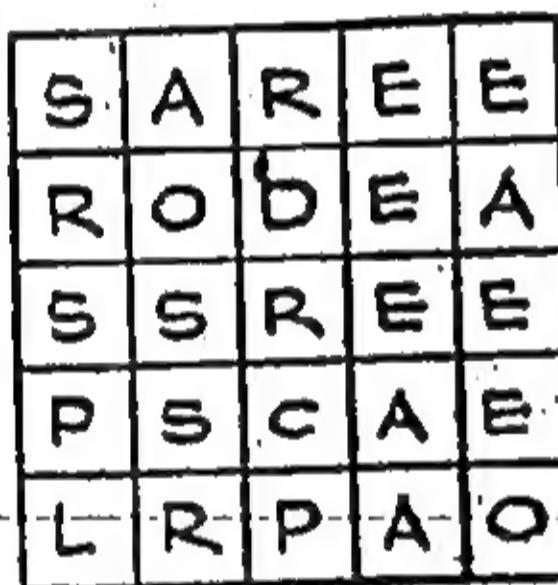


ACROSS  
1 Is able  
4 Seaport (ab.)  
7 Employed  
9 Indian  
10 Symbol for tellurium  
11 Elaborate.  
13 While  
15 Indian weight (pl.)  
16 Measure of cloth  
18 Compass point  
19 Conceded obstacle  
21 Thus  
23 Climbing device  
25 District attorney (ab.)  
27 On the sheltered side  
28 Prayer ending  
30 Through  
31 Eastern Standard Time (ab.)

DOWN  
1 Sever  
2 On the ocean  
3 Northeast (ab.)  
4 Looks fixedly  
5 Cooking utensil  
6 Golf mound  
8 Accomplish  
9 Individuals  
12 Rupees (ab.)  
14 Despatcher  
17 Ball  
19 Bargain event  
20 Earth goddess  
22 Poems  
23 Race-course circuit  
24 Egyptian sun god  
26 Social insect  
29 Myself

## WORD SQUARE

Rearrange the letters in each row to form a word, then rearrange the rows of words to form a word square:



## Why Shouldn't Trees Talk?

Everyone Knows That Leaves Whisper—

By MAX TRELL



"MAYBE you won't believe me," Chirpie Sparrow was saying to Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, "but I just heard some trees talking to one another."

Chirpie Sparrow always came to the window-sill for his breakfast-branderums. And when he came, he generally brought whatever bit of news he had picked up around the neighbourhood. But this news about trees talking to one another was quite surprising.

Knarf and Hanid glanced at each other. Then Hanid said: "Everyone knows that trees can't talk, Chirpie."

## Talk Very Well

"Oh no!" said Chirpie. "They talk very well. The only trouble is that you need very sharp ears to hear them. And you have to understand tree-language."

"I have very sharp ears and I understand tree-language," he added, swallowing several crumbs.

"Besides, it's very well known that leaves whisper. Everyone hears them. So if leaves whisper, I don't know why it should be so strange for trees to talk."

By this time Knarf and Hanid thought that Chirpie probably did hear some trees talking. So Knarf asked: "What were they talking about?"

"They were very young trees," Chirpie answered. "They were talking about what they were going to be when they grew up."

Hanid laughed. "That's a very funny thing for young trees to be talking about!"

"Why?" asked Chirpie.

"Because," said Hanid, "trees can't grow up to be anything but trees. Young small trees just grow up to be old tall trees."

"That's wrong! Now let me tell you what these young trees said they were going to grow up to be. Then you'll see that trees can grow up to be all sorts of things—almost as many things as children can grow up to be, except that they're different things."

"For instance," Chirpie went on, "one of the young trees said it was going to be a telephone pole when it grew up."

Rupert's Elfin Bell—15



When he gets his breath back Rupert exclaims, "How he got the Elfin Bell! But, please, who are you, and what is all that smoke doing?" he asks. At that the little creature gets very excited. "Smoke? That's not smoke," he cries. "It's real fog. I'm one of the Autumn Elves. Our job is to see that the autumn fog doesn't get too thick, but something's gone wrong with the works down below and it's getting out all over the place! Six of us have been sent to control it, but the task is too big for us."

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## BRONCHO BILL



## No Better Reward



By Harry F. O'Neill

## The BOYS and GIRLS PAGE



CRAFTS

GAMES

JOKES

## Rings Tell You Many Things

CAN you imagine choosing a certain ring and stone because you had decided on a certain career? That is what would happen if you lived in Brazil.

In that country you can spot a doctor because he wears a glowing emerald ring, or a lawyer by his ruby. The engineer sports a sapphire, while the dentist is distinguished by a topaz. With one quick glance people of Brazil not only get a good idea of a person's financial standing, but they actually know how he gets his money.

Back in the 16th century, where a man wore his rings advertised his profession. Early Gauls and Britons decreed that merchants wear rings on their index fingers, doctors on their thumbs. Only students wore them on what we now call the ring finger. Engagement rings in those days were worn on the little finger, while the middle finger was reserved for rings of the fools and feeble-minded.

WOMEN were pretty much ignored in the early days of ring wearing, and not until 480 BC did the Greek and Egyptian women receive permission to wear scarab rings. But the start was all they needed, and they seem to have gone for them in a big way. The remains of one dug up by archeologists of the British Museum had all eight fingers and both thumbs literally covered with rings of all sorts.

At one time the men of Rome wore iron rings and prized them above all their possessions, because these proved the wearer was a freeman. The heaviest sentence a judge could give a Roman of that time was to take away his right to wear that ugly, cumbersome—but all-important—iron ring.

England gave men the go-signal on rings long before women were permitted anything so eye-catching. But the men had to comply with certain regulations before they could indulge in this fancy. Edward III decreed that only a knight, or a man whose property was valued at at least 200 pounds sterling, was entitled to this privilege. Those who could not qualify could not wear any kind of jewellery.

PERHAPS the best known of all the early day rings are the poison rings of the Borgias. Some had containers under carved panels which could be opened by pressure and the poison emptied into an enemy's wine. Other rings had hollow claws filled with poison. These were driven into the flesh when the wearer shook hands with someone he wanted to get rid of. In those rough and troubled times many aristocrats and generals wore poison rings to help their enemies never take them alive.

Many of those early rings were not as valuable as those we have today, the few still in existence are collectors' items and bring huge prices. Not long ago £4,370 was paid for a plain gold band set with a carved sardonyx, because it was given to the Earl of Sussex as a guarantee of her royal favour.

Not As Easy As It Looks

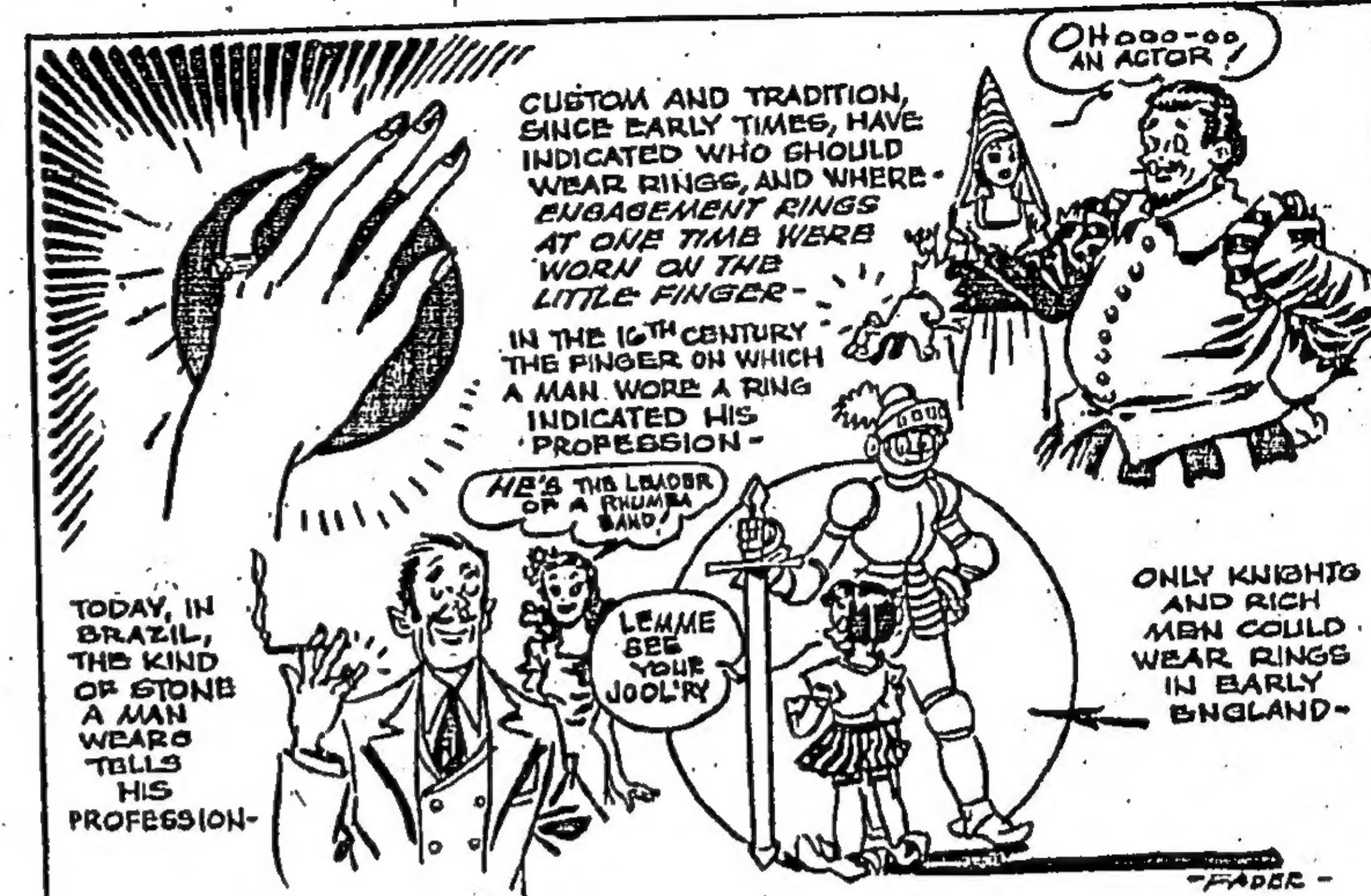
SIR Frederic Bartlett is a professor who knows how to make science simple. This week he explained to 350 children how easily we can be fooled by our eyes.

One of his experiments makes a good party trick that you might like to try for yourself. The Coin Test: Balance a coin on the edge of a table so that it overhangs slightly. Get somebody to stand ten feet from the table and blindfold one of his eyes. Ask him to stretch his right arm out with the index finger extended.

Then tell him to walk towards the table and with one downward movement of the finger knock off the coin without touching the table.

Six children tried it: five failed. Proved: Judging distance with one eye is difficult.

—WALTER KING.



## Be A Good Guest, And Be Welcome

CORRECT behaviour for the week-end or holiday visit is an art which you must cultivate if you expect to become a popular guest. So here are some important tips to guide you when invited out.



Invitations, properly done, should come from the mother of the young person who asks you to visit.

From the moment you arrive you should aim to let the folks see you are determined to "fit in." Every household has a different way of doing things and it is your business to help your friends make you feel at home.

Help out a bit. If there is anything you can do to add to the fun, do it. It is a very poor policy to play the "Oh! I don't want to" game.

If the visit is a long one, don't make yourself a full-time bore by expecting

to be entertained every minute of your time. Stay in your room occasionally, or go out for a stroll by yourself. This gives the household a breathing spell from the anxiety of entertaining you.

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BE a live wire sport. If the gang wants to go roller skating and you don't skate, try it even though you spend most of your time picking yourself up.

Above all, be yourself, neither put on airs nor act shy. It is very discouraging for people who are trying to make you feel at home if you appear too backward in coming forward. On the other hand, don't make the mistake of taking too many liberties after the first strangeness has worn off. Being invited to "make yourself at home" doesn't mean that you must become radio manager and food controller. It means that you are not expected to hold back your natural enthusiasm for fun just because you are away from home.

Finally, show your thanks. You can often do this as you go along by taking your friends to a movie, or by sharing your bicycle or camera. When on a long visit, it is correct to take a gift for your hostess. Wait for a day or so before presenting it and be as undemonstrative about it as possible.

If you are not sure of your hostess's tastes or requirements, you may send the gift when you return home.

In any case, be sure you write a note of thanks for the pleasant time you have had. Do this within a day or two after you leave.

P.S. This is for you; not for your "thank-you" note. Never, never mention to another person any shortcomings of a home you have visited. If the service or entertainment was not up to standard, forget it. Learn to value good intentions and a sincere desire for fellowship. Good will costs nothing and is priceless.

—WALTER KING.

## Films For Schools

LEN Hutton is expected to become a film star hero of thousands of schoolgirls and boys this year.

The young Yorkshire and England cricketer has made a series of films entitled "Batting Strokes."

These are the first of scores of films being produced specially for schools. Plans have been made to spend £1,000,000 on brightening lessons in this way.

For children of 11-13 there will be films on "Camping and Rambling"; a handicraft series explaining how to use the chisel and the plane.

The miner, the baker, and the engine driver are stars of another series on "People who work for us," and the nearest to a Western film is one called "A Cattle Ranch."

For the younger ones, there will be farm stories and films on the frog, the stickleback, and the robin.

For all ages there will be pictures of children in other lands, including one on Russia.

## ZOO'S WHO

SCIENTISTS RECENTLY TASTED EGGS OF MANY TYPES OF BIRDS AND DISCOVERED, AS A RULE, THE LARGER THE BIRD, THE BETTER THE TASTE. WREN EGGS WERE THE WORST TASTING OF ALL.



"ACHIGAN" WAS THE DESCRIPTIVE NAME GIVEN TO THE BLACK BASS BY THE ALCONQUIN INDIANS. THE WORD MEANS "THE FISH THAT DISPUTES, STRUGGLES AND SHAKES."

THE NEXT TIME YOU CATCH A LIVE ALLIGATOR, JUST HOLD HIS MOUTH SHUT AND TIE HIM UP. ACCORDING TO THE WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA, THE ANIMAL'S JAWS ARE VERY POWERFUL BUT, IF CLOSED, A MAN CAN EASILY HOLD THEM SHUT WITH HIS HANDS.



## SPARE MOMENTS PAGE

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

BORN today, you are one of those energetic, fiery individuals who goes at a thing with a "do or die" attitude from the very outset. Sometimes you are little too enthusiastic and impulsive for your own good. You leap before you think.

You must learn to take a middle road when it comes to flights of fancy or moods of temperament. You are either the complete optimist with your head in the clouds of exhilaration or you are in the deepest of depths—discouraged beyond all hope. You must realize that you can control these excesses and that until you do, you will lose energy and constructive powers.

Once you have studied yourself and analyzed all this, you should be able to regulate your life and develop your talents more fully. The stars have given you many talents—it is up to you to make the best use of them.

Something of gypsy at heart, you are seldom content to stay in one place very long. This will prove a handicap unless you select work which will allow you to travel.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide...

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

BORN on this first day of the new sign, Pisces, you are ruled by Jupiter, God of Wisdom. You are meticulous with detail work. This is a good trait if it does not turn into "fussiness" so that you obstruct the view to larger things. Those who are able to combine this gift with foresighted, large-scale planning are able to reach great accomplishments.

The stars have given you the latent talents; it is up to you to develop them. You may not have an entirely easy road in life. But if you are strong and progressive, patient with time, and above all, cling to your ideals with tenacity, there is little or nothing which you may not achieve.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—General business affairs are all right, but the arts appear to be especially favoured today.

**ARIES** (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A day for meeting friends and being "at home" to those who may call. It should bring you happiness.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be conservative in your planning. This is no time to contemplate excess spending. Be thrifty.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 22)—A short journey; a message from a close friend or relative could bring you considerable joy.

**CANCER** (June 23-July 23)—Avoid being tactless where elderly persons are concerned. Turn on your personal charm for all you meet!

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—If confused about current problems, seek spiritual advice and you may find them easily solved.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—An active day for those who attend to business matters. For others, a day of planning.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Postpone making important decisions until later. Not a reliable day for you. Be cautious.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—An ambitious and progressive day. Decide upon what you want and go out for it—no holds barred.

**ARIES** (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Solve problems and clear the decks for action. Delayed news or meeting an old friend may bring happiness.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Confusion may necessitate careful consideration of minor problems. Once solved, all goes well.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 22)—Slow up this morning. Be careful of detail. When afternoon comes, things are much better for you.

**CANCER** (June 23-July 23)—Be careful and be diplomatic about all business affairs. Matters at home should go smoothly enough.

## Skeleton Crossword

In this crossword the black squares and clue numbers, as well as the letters, are given. The solver is to fill in the white squares and five clue numbers have been given to start him off. The pattern formed by the black squares is symmetrical; the top half of the pattern matches the bottom half, and the two sides correspond.

**CLUES ACROSS:**

1. A man's name, however, one would hardly guess. (One word.)

2. The sort of bird that can swallow! (One word.)

3. Long after the Old Boy has gone, still in shape. (One word.)

4. Cine-ma organ? (One word.)

5. Iceman from the northland—and—

6. From get—

7. Jack, alterate to the shortest part. (One word.)

8. Our hearts may be worshipped. Business to finish in "2." (One word.)

9. The rest of the world can't know it! (One word.)

10. Castle (two words).

11. Clues down

12. Oliver, an Oriental chief.

13. Nature supplies the necessary materials for this house.

14. In the nest of the toy, the mother is returned.

15. Half-hunter?

16. Does it provide one with an appetite?

17. Meredith's girl? (One word.)

18. That part of a game for which two packs are essential (One word.)

(Solution on Page 14)

so you can fill in 12 more black squares to once again correspond with the first square.

Since there is no 1 Down, the first square in the second line, the corresponding ones, must also be black.

Words of less than three letters, except where they may occur in the middle, are not used in this puzzle.

The hatless worker sees no point in felt hats, and other people say to him, "If felt is so frightfully important, why don't you practise what you preach, or rather, wear what you make, thus in the phrase of Mr. C. D. Stelling, 'fulfilling a long-felt hit'?"

Strabo, the geographer, records that the oxyrhynchos, or sharp-nosed sturgeon, which wore a felt hat in a Cappadocian circus, was mistaken for Xenarchus the peripatetic. Why not buy felt hats for your fish?

Nothing to do with me

She muffles herself in a huge turtle-necked black sweater, black velvet knee-breeches, butterscotch boots, and wicker basket.

("Vogue"—with picture.)

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Strabismus (XVI)

(From Blotteaux)

While we were deciding what

form the next attack was to

take, the humpi blinked several

times, uttered a screech, spread its wings and flew away. We gazed at each other aghast. Then our leader rushed to the nest. It was empty! He asked Chhatti the guide to explain, and from that bungling fool we learned that the bird was a male, and only sat on an empty nest in order to decoy egg-hunters, while the mother-bird was far away, sitting on the full nest. He said he could lead us to the female, but that the eggs were deadly poison, and were used by the Indians to kill giant beetles. In a melon-

shell we packed up our paraphernalia and prepared to make the long trek back to the coast. And, as we set out, back came the infernal nosiacas in swarms, uttering their mad, laughing notes.

Now I am quoting directly from Mr. Knipin: "Mr. Moyse, in his attack on the point-count system, has chosen to confine his criticism solely to the field of no trump bidding. It is this field, therefore, which will comprise the subject under discussion: Is the honour-trick system or the point-count system better equipped to handle no trump bidding?"

"For the clarification of those

bridge players who are not, as yet,

familiar with the basic features

of point-count, permit me very

briefly to set them down, and also to state my 'complaint'

against the honour-trick system.

In the point-count method of valuation, we completely dispense with honour-tricks, playing tricks, and plus values. In our system an ace is worth 4 points, a king 3 points, a queen 2 points and a jack 1 point. The fifth card of any one suit is worth 1 point, and the sixth card another point.

"I suggest that you look at the

two hands shown here. Each has

exactly three honour-tricks and

identical distribution, 4-3-3, yet

I will venture to say that anyone

who plays bridge will tell you

that hand No. 2 is superior to hand

No. 1. Each hand has three honour-

tricks, but hand No. 1 has a point-

count of only 12, while hand No. 2

has a count of 15. Therefore, the

point-count system is more accurate

than the honour-trick table in

evaluating the hands."

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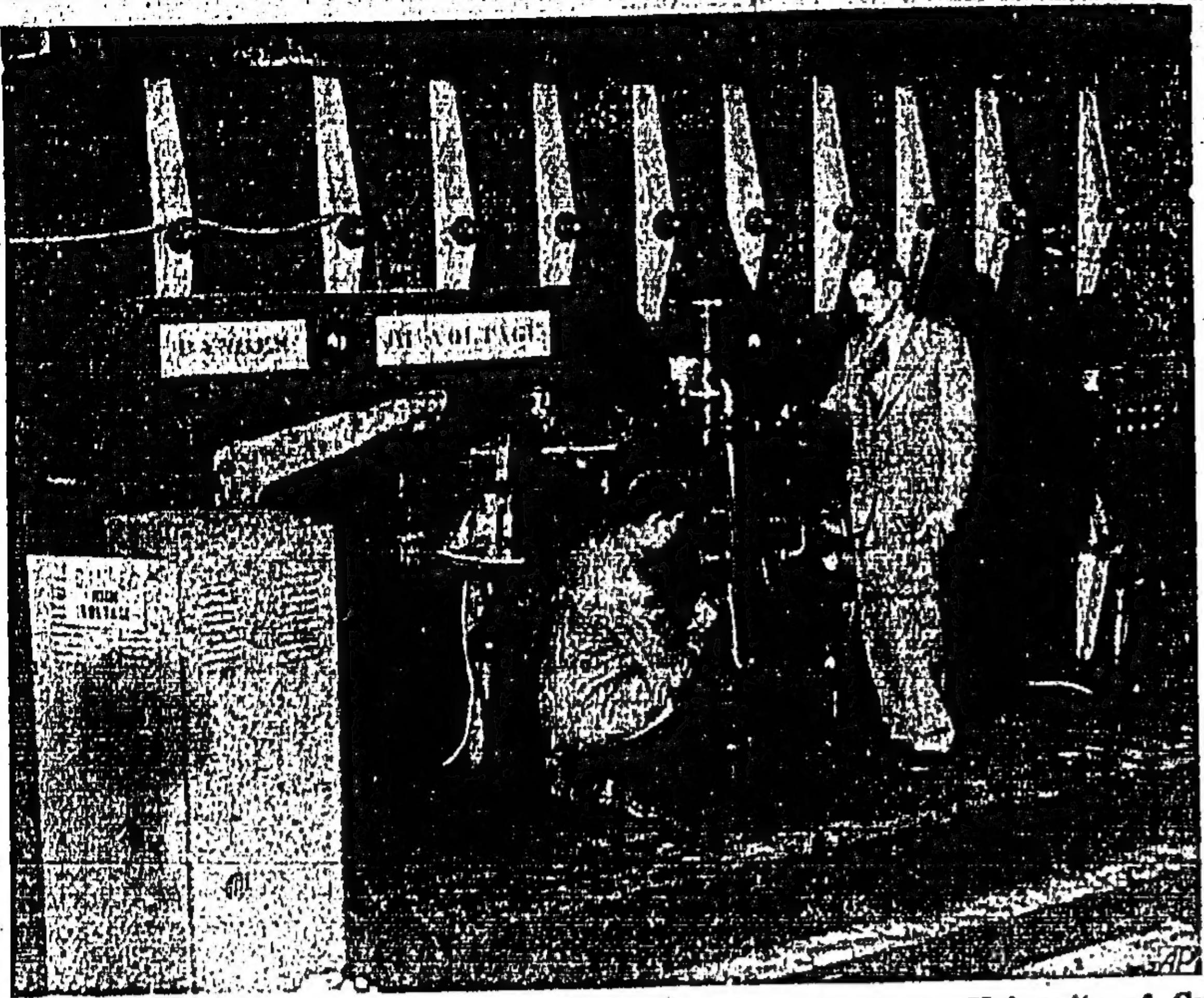
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## SPORTS NEWS:

## Two World Title Fights For Britain?

London, Feb. 18.—If Mr Jack Solomons, the London promoter, succeeds in persuading Manuel Ortiz to defend his world bantamweight-championship in London on April 4, and he is confident that his terms will be acceptable, it will mean that there will be two world fights in the British Isles on successive nights.

Arrangements have already been made for Rinty Monaghan to defend his world flyweight title against Maurice Sandreyon, of France, in Belfast (Northern Ireland) on April 5.

The question of an opponent for Ortiz may set problem. Mr. Solomons' idea is to pit him against the winner of the Jackie Paterson versus Danny O'Sullivan contest which takes place on Monday, but Paterson has to meet Stan Rowan of Liverpool in defense of his British title next month.

If Paterson beats O'Sullivan and Rowan, the way will be clear for him. But if O'Sullivan beats Paterson and the latter then loses his British title to Rowan, Rowan may feel that as British champion he has a prior claim to fight for the world title.

It is not however unusual for a boxer without a title to fight for a world crown over the heads of champions. There have been cases of European championship bouts in which one of the contestants was not the holder of a national title.

For example, Danny O'Sullivan's brother, Dickie, fought Sandreyon for the European championship when the British title was held by Monaghan.—Reuter.

## Cricket League

## Team Averages

Optimists now stand top of the cricket League's First Division team batting averages and Army top of the teams bowling averages.

Averages are:

	BATTING	WICKETS	AVERAGE
	RUNS	LOST	PER WKT.
Optimists	1,997	101	19.77
Recreo	1,066	85	19.00
Scorpions	1,048	90	18.31
RAF	1,200	93	13.84
University	1,571	119	13.20
KCC	1,046	127	12.04
Army	1,310	104	12.59
IRC	1,123	96	11.60
Craigengower	1,125	112	10.04
Royal Navy	1,000	108	9.81

## HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	PTs.
Army	14	9	3	2	39
Recreo	13	8	3	2	35
Scorpions	13	6	5	3	29
RAF	14	6	5	4	29
University	15	6	3	6	27
KCC	13	4	4	5	20
IRC	12	3	3	6	15
RAF	10	2	4	4	12
Royal Navy	12	2	2	8	10
Craigengower	12	1	2	9	6

## KCC TENNIS TOURNEY

An All-Day American Tennis Tournament will be held at the Kowloon Cricket Club tomorrow at 10 a.m.

The competition divided into two sections and players are asked to turn up as early as possible to get through their games in good time.

Prizes will be given in both sections and as usual tea is included in the cost of the entrance fee. A light lunch will also be available.

## US Senator Alleges Charitable Trusts Used To Dodge Tax

Boston, Feb. 18.—A Senate sub-committee, reporting on a three-month investigation of the Textron Incorporated, of New York, charged today that American businessmen are dodging millions of dollars in taxes each year by setting up supposedly charitable foundations.

The sub-committee chairman, Senator Charles W. Tobey, who acknowledged that the device seemed legal under present laws, demanded immediate legislation to block "loopholes" as well as congressional investigation of the nation's 10,000 charitable foundations.

In a 20-page report to the Senate Inter-State and Foreign Commerce Committee today, Senator Tobey said five trusts created by or for the President of Textron Incorporated, Mr. Royall S. Little, actually aided his textile empire rather than its purported charitable beneficiaries.

Using them as an example of what was claimed to be a widespread practice, the Senator charged that the trusts failed to pay federal income taxes, though their profits were used mainly in "fantastic" financial manipulations with Textron and its subsidiaries.

As a result of his investigation, Senator Tobey demanded:

(1) Congressional pressure to force the Internal Revenue Commissioner, Mr. George Schoeneman, to collect "several million dollars" in back taxes from the Textron Incorporated, and millions more from its other "so-called charitable foundations" throughout the nation.

(2) Immediate legislation to prevent the trusts, which are not "bona fide" charitable foundations, from obtaining tax exemptions.

(3) Regulations to prevent Puerto Rico from luring factories from continental United States by granting a 12-year tax-free holiday while accepting subsidies from the federal government.—United Press.

## ATLANTIC PACT DISCUSSED

(Continued from Page 1)

The State Department spokesman, hitherto, has usually referred to activities under the North Atlantic Pact as related to Article 51 of the Charter, which is not part of the "regional arrangements," but reserves the "inherent right of individual or collective self-defense, if an armed attack occurs against a member of the United Nations."

Dr Jessup's speech marked the first time that any official spokesman had raised the possibility of the activities of signatories to the North Atlantic Pact being subject to the provision of Chapter 8, and thus becoming subordinated to the Security Council.

## GUARDED LANGUAGE

He did this in very guarded language, but surprisingly left open the question of whether or not the activities—not the Pact itself—of the signatories fall within the security dominated provisions relating to regional arrangements.

He added that whatever the wording of the Pact, the signatories could be thus limited. This line of thought appeared to run contrary to the thinking of previous State Department announcements and of the negotiators of the Pact. They appeared to have carefully avoided references to Chapter 8, being aware of the subordination of the Council involved and the certainty of the Russian vote on any action taken by the Pact's signatories.—Reuter.

## DUMB-BELLS

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## New Turn In Talks On Austria

London, Feb. 18.—The four-power deputies for the Austrian treaty today decided to hear a new statement from Yugoslavia as soon as they completed their preliminary review of the treaty.

It is expected that the Yugoslav statement will be made next Thursday.

The deputies made their decision after receiving a letter from Dr. Ales Bebler, the Yugoslav Deputy Foreign Minister, making a definite request for a further hearing.

They decided that an Austrian delegation would be present during the Yugoslav statement and that it would be open to Austria also to submit a further statement of attitude.

Reuters' diplomatic correspondent writes:

Observers here expect the Yugoslav statement to prove a turning point in the Austrian treaty discussions. It is anticipated that Dr. Bebler will announce an important modification in the Yugoslav claims on Austria, possibly renouncing earlier reparation and territorial claims of Slovenia-Carinthia in return for a measure of autonomy for the Austrian-Slovene population.

The Western powers have consistently opposed Yugoslav's demand for part of the Austrian provinces of Carinthia and Styria, which has received full Soviet backing.—Reuter.

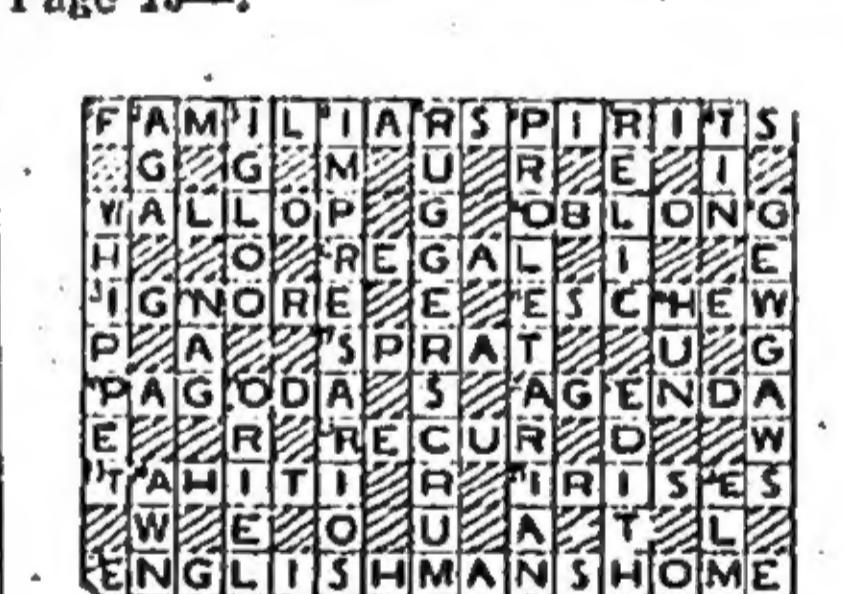
## QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Sacred musical drama. 2. Lake Victoria in Africa. 3. Magellan. 4. Platinum, palladium, iridium, rhodium, ruthenium and osmium. 5. First cousin. 6. Befana, legendary figure of an old woman. The name is a corruption of Epiphany. 7. Li Tsun-jen. 8. Alienation, stanchion. 9. Puerto Rico. 10. A small two-masted boat.

## CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across: 1, Greatness; 7, Name; 9, Folio; 11, Pounce; 13, Strat; 14, Me; 15, Scion; 17, Rim; 18, Elope; 19, Rep; 22, None; 23, Ante; 24, Away; 25, Pens; 26, Underrail. Down: 1, Gneissenau; 2, Raps; 3, Emotion; 4, Nocturne; 5, Slam; 6, Solemnise; 8, Europe; 10, Lear; 12, Nan; 16, Clown; 20, Etna; 21, Pest.

Solution to Skeleton Crossword on Page 13:



## NOTICE

No. 1 Regional Band, R.A.F., will give a light concert in the Club on Sunday, 29th February, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. by kind permission of the Air Officer Commanding. All members are invited to attend.

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## SPORTSMAN OF YEAR AGAIN COMPTON

London, Feb. 18.—Denis Compton, England and Middlesex cricketer and Arsenal footballer, has again been voted Britain's "sportsman of the year" for 1948 in a nation-wide ballot conducted by "Sporting Record."

Compton, who is at present in South Africa with the MCC tourists, polled 31,203 votes out of a total 140,530.

Next in line was the world lightweight champion, Freddie Mills, with 26,210 votes.

Third place was filled by Stanley Matthews, soccer's "wizard of dribble," and fourth was Maureen Gardner (Mrs. Geoff. Dyson), Britain's Olympic hurdler.

Then followed British heavyweight champion Bruce Woodcock, veteran England goalkeeper Frank Swift, footballer Stan Mortensen and Len Hutton, England and Yorkshire cricketer.

Completing the list of 12 were Tommy Lawton, former England centre-forward; Albert Stubbins, Liverpool's captain, champion jockey Gordon Richards, and another veteran goalkeeper, Ted Sagar, of Everton.

Compton, who is 30, was chosen for his courageous batting against the Australian Test team last summer, and his sparkling performances in South Africa.—Associated Press.

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